WEATHER.

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BEFORE ANOTHER DAY PASSES THE PRESIDENT MAY HAVE AUTHORITY TO ORDER AMERICAN SHIPS ARMED

Everything is in Readiness to Begin Mounting the Guns at a Moment's Notice

SENATE'S ACTION AWAITED

Leaders Predict Passage of Armed Neutrality Measure by an Overwhelming Majority

DEBATED FAR INTO NIGHT

No Agreement Reached on Other Important Legislation

Washington, March, 3.—Early this morning, after more than 8 hours debate on the armed neutrality bill, in the Senate, leaders reached an agreement for a recess until 10 a. m. without setting a time for a vote on the measure.

At 12:45 o'clock the recess was taken. The agreement was reached after Senator LaFollette had withdrawn his objection to taking up the bill as passed by the House, with a view to substituting for it the broader Senate measure approved by the President.

Democrats in charge of the bill proposed this step so it can go to conference immediately after the Senate acts instead of having to be sent back to the House.

Washington, March 2.—Arming of American ships to defy the German submarine menace waits only upon authority from Congress, which probably will be given before another day passes.

It became known tonight that President Wilson is ready to give the order and that the Navy Department has made its preparations, to begin equipping merchantmen for defense at a moment's notice.

The Senate debated far into the night the bill approved by the President authorizing the arming of ships and the employment of "other instrumentalities" to protect American citizens and providing a bond issue of $100,000,000.

Little Opposition to Bill

Little opposition developed, and Republican and Democratic leaders predicted passage of the measure by an overwhelming majority. The House is expected to accept the bill as a substitute for its own, which does not carry the phrase "other instrumentalities" and prohibits the insurance of munition ships by the Federal war risk bureau.

The cabinet met this afternoon and discussed every phase of the international crisis. There was no announcement after the meeting, though it was learned that the administration considered that there was nothing more to be done until Congress acted.

About the only new development of importance before the cabinet was the communication announcing that Germany would release the American prisoners of the Yarrowdale March 7, upon the expiration of a quarantine established because a British sailor detained with the Americans had developed typhus fever.

REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS FAIL TO REACH AGREEMENT.

Washington March 2.—Republican and Democratic Senate leaders failed in a conference late tonight to smooth over difficulties in the way of important legislation still pending, and both houses of Congress remained in session until after midnight.

After consultation with Secretaries McAdoo and Daniels and Postmaster General Burleson, over plans to assure if possible enactment before the session expires Sunday of the army and sundry civil appropriation bills, Senators Simmons, Martin, Hughes and other Democrats conferred for nearly two hours with Senators Penrose and Lodge.

These spokesmen for the minority assured the Democrats of their willingness to let the bill extending power to the President to arm American merchant ships come to a vote after a full and free discussion. They would give no assurances about the fate of the other appropriation bills, or the bil lto amend the shipping law extending authority to the government to commandeer merchant ships and ships being constructed in this country for foreign owners.

"We will have to proceed as we are doing with these measures and get along the best we can," said Senator Penrose after the conference.

"We made no progress toward an agreement on the legislative program," said Senator Simmons.

CARRANZA REFUSES TO SEE THOSE SEEKING INFORMATION

Mexico, March. 2.—General Carranza remained closeted with the members of his official family yesterday and today and denied himself to those seeking information concerning the note of Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, German foreign secretary, to Minister Eckhardt, the German representative here, in the attempt to form an alliance between Germany, Mexico and Japan against the United States. Candido Aguilar, the Mexican foreign minister, declined to discuss the Zimmerman note.

Bill Giving Wilson Authority For Armed Neutrality Pressed Toward Passage in the Senate

Little Evidence of Determined Opposition to Measure Which is Fully Approved by the President—Debate Developed Covering Entire Scale of Nation's Foreign Affairs—Little Indication of Vote Before Early Morning.

Washington, March 2.—President Wilson's bill to authorize a policy of armed neutrality was pressed toward passage in the Senate tonight with a debate covering the entire scale of the nation's foreign relations.

The measure, which the White House has announced it desires as a substitute for the less sweeping bill passed by the House last night, developed little evidence of determined opposition. It gave senators a long awaited opportunity, however, to declare their convictions in the international crisis; and the debate proceeded with deliberation despite the knowledge that it now is Senate action on which the President is waiting.

No Party Lines.

There were no party lines and most of the pacifist element of the Senate declared a willingness to fall in behind the President in his move for an armed policy.

Senator Stone, head of the foreign relations committee and by virtue of his position the logical administration spokesman on such questions, withdrew from the task as soon as the armed neutrality bill was brought in by his committee. He said candor would not permit him to take the floor for the measure and submitted an amendment to exempt munitions carrying ships from the protection to be extended merchantmen.

To Senator Hitchock and Senator Lodge, the ranking Democratic and Republican committeemen, fell the leadership declined by the chairman.

Senator LaFollette, about whose attitude there had been some uneasiness, announced that he would talk at length on the bill but had no intention of filibustering.

As the debate proceeded into the night there were many predictions that it would be well toward morning before a vote could be reached.

Galleries Crowded

The dramatic features of the situation were heightened by crowded galleries and the attendance of several cabinet members and representatives on the floor as spectators. Among those in the diplomatic gallery was Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British ambassador.

The Senate bill, in addition to authorizing the arming of merchant ships, would extend the authority requested by the President for use of "other instrumentalities" in protecting American rights. That feature was omitted from the House bill, which also contained a prohibition objectionable to the President against the insurance by the war risk bureau of vessels laden with munitions.

More than one senator declared passage of the Senate bill would mean war sooner or later but virtually without exception they added that they were ready to accept war on those terms. A few insisted that it would not mean war. None expressed any other belief than that it would be passed and then accepted some time tomorrow by the House.

ARMED NEUTRALITY MEASURE IS DISCUSSED AT LENGTH

Washington, March, 2.—The armed neutrality bill which would allow the arming of merchant ships was taken up in the Senate late this afternoon immediately after the passage of the naval bill, a motion by Senator Chamberlain to substitute the army bill failing 76 to 15. Chairman Stone, of the foreign relations committee, surrendered leadership of the measure on the floor to Senator Hitchcock and then began a fight to amend the bill so as to withold protection from ships carrying munitions.

The bill as taken up differs essentially from that passed by the House last night. In addition to authorizing the arming of merchantmen it would extend authority to use "other instrumentalities" as requested by the President, and would not prohibit extension of war risk insurance to munition carrying ships. It was drafted by the Senate foreign relations committee and has the President's unqualified endorsement.

Stone Surrenders Leadership

Senator Stone disclaimed any personal responsibility for the measure, which he had attempted to have changed in committee.

"Candor compels me to say," he declared, "I am not in accord with this bill as it has been framed and it is my purpose to offer what I consider an important amendment to it. In that view of the situation I do not think it would be proper for me to continue further in the management on the floor of the pending measure It is my purpose, therefore, to ask the senator from Nebraska, Mr. Hitchcock, to take it in charge.

He then proposed his amendment and turned the floor leadership over to Senator Hitchcock. The amendment follows:

Would Exclude Munition Ships

"Provided, that nothing herein shall authorize the President to employ or direct any person to manage or operate any arms placed on any merchant ship by the United States as herein authorized; and

"Provided further that it shall not be lawful for any merchant ship supplied by the President with arms as herein provided to carry or convey as a part of her cargo any munitions or other supplies of war destined for delivery to the armed forces of a belligerent nation engaged in war with another nation with which the United States is at peace; and

"Provided further that it shall not be lawful for any merchant ship which may be under the convoy or immediate protection of any public vessel of the United States to carry or convey as a part of her cargo any munitions or

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CONGRESS CLEARS WAY FOR ENACTMENT OF NAVAL BILL

Senate Passes and Then Re-Passes the Measure After Straightening Out Controversy Between the Two Houses Which for a Time Threatened to Deal a Death Blow to the Bill.

Washington, March 2.—Congress finally cleared the way for final enactment of the $535,000,000 naval appropriation bill tonight after straightening out a controversy between the two houses which for a time threatened to kill the measure and force an extra session.

The trouble was over the refusal of the House to accept an amendment by the Senate authorizing a bond issue of $150,000,000, to meet added expenses provided for in the bill as it passed the Senate late this afternoon. The House leaders, pointing out that revenue legislation could originate only in the House, promptly passed a resolution to that effect and sent it over to the Senate.

After hurried conferences between Republican and Democratic leaders, fearful that to reopen debates on the bill would mean its failure, the Senate without a roll call re-passed the measure with the bond issue provision eliminated.

In the meantime, it was agreed that succeeded in attaching an amendment striking out the clause making it a crime for shipbuilding and other industrial concerns to refuse to surrender their plants to the government in time of war or other emergency.

The Senate's action was greeted with cheers in the House, where it was conceded that any difficulty over the Jones amendment could be quickly smoothed out.

In the meantime, it was agrfeed that both Houses should put through a joint resolution, originating in the House, authorizing the $150,000,000 bond issue. Of this money $115,000,000 is to be used in rushing the completion of vessels now under construction, and $35,000,000 is for fifty additional submarines, provided for by Senate amendments.

Efforts to attach the administration amendments empowering the President to commandeer American ships in an emergency failed because Republican senators would not consent to their passage without debate.

Under the agreement to take a final vote at 4 o'clock this afternoon Vice-President Marshall ruled that there could be no separate vote on amendments after that hour, thereby killing various pending proposals.

Senator Hughes succeeded in attaching an indictment giving the same general salary increases to civilian employes connected with the naval establishment as already have been given to other government employees in House supply bills. Senator Smith, of Georgia, made a point of order against this, but the vice-president overruled it.

The great construction program pro- (Continued on Page Eight.)

NOT ONE VESSEL WAS REPORTED AS SUNK YESTERDAY

Was Second Day Since Beginning of Ruthless Campaign That U-Boats Took No Toll

FURTHER GAINS BY BRITISH

Much Activity Has Been Reported on the Eastern Front in Russia and Galicia

For the second day since the beginning of the German unrestricted submarine campaign no reports of any vessels having been sunk were issued Friday. The final periods of grace for sailing ships in the Atlantic ocean expired March 1, says an announcement by the German admiralty, which adds that from March 2 no special warning will be given any boats by submarines.

British troops have bade additional progress north and south of the Ancre but the statement from London gives no details of the latest advances. Northwest of Pusieux-au-mont, north of the Ancre, and in the region of Warlencourt, south of the Ancre and towards Bapaume, were the scenes of the latest gains.

The Germans apparently are preparing to make a stand on their present line south of Bapaume, as the British statement reports the repulse of attacks against British and advanced positions near Gueudecourt and Ligny-Thilloy.

A staff correspondent of the Associated Press with the British armies report that the Germans now are making a definite stand on a line running from Essarts, through Achiet-le-petiit to southeast of Bapaume.

In the fighting in the Ancre region the British Friday captured 128 prisoners, three machine guns and four trench mortars. Berlin reports the repulse of local attacks near Souchez and in the Ancre region, with the capture of prisoners. On the remainder of the front in France only raids and artillery duels have taken place.

On the eastern front there has been marked activity in Galicia and in Rumania. On the east bank of the Narayuvka river in Galicia German storming detachments blew up Russian positions and took 170 prisoners.

In the Valputna, Berlin records, the Russians made five fruitless attacks against Austro-German positions on the heights north of the valley. Petrograd says the fighting continues north of the Jacobeni-Kimpolung high road. Rumanian detachments were forced to withdraw, Petrograd says, from a height north of the river Zeaval.

Turkish forces in their retreat from Kut-El-Amara Tuesday had reached Aziziyah, about 40 miles southwest of Bagdad and 52 miles northwest of Kut. The British pursuit continues, London announces, and since February 23 the troops under General Maude have taken 4,300 prisoners and much booty, including guns and machine guns.

SEEK USE OF IDLE NAVAL CRAFT TO IMPORT NITRATES

Resolution to be Introduced by Senators Smith and Shields.

Washington, March 2.—After a conference tonight with Secretary of the Navy Daniels on crop shortage in the South Atlantic states, Senators Smith, of South Carolina, and Shields, of Tennessee, said they would introduce a resolution authorizing the President to utilize naval transports and colliers not needed for naval duty to transport nitrate of soda from Chila to South Atlantic ports.

The resolution would put the transports at the disposal of nitrate importers under government supervision and the ships would bring the nitrate supplies for farm fertilizer through the Panama Canal.

"With the crop shortage, the great necessity for fertilizer in the South Atlantic states, with freight at $85 a ton and the living cost very high," said Senator Smith tonight. "Something must be done to remedy the situation. We believed Congress should authorize the use of naval vessels in this shipping crisis to transport these nitrates."

ARE CHARGED WITH PART IN ELABORATE GERMAN SPY PLOT

Three Men Are Indicted by Federal Grand Jury in New York

New York, March, 2.—Participation in an elaborate spy plot organization to send men to Great Britain under guise of being American newspaper correspondents, but whose real purpose was to serve as spies and supply Germany forbidden information as to civil and military conditions in England was charged against Albert A. Sander, Carl W. Wunnenberg and George Vauxbacon in indictments found here today by the Federal grand jury.

It was said additional indictments have been found against other German agents in this city to be filed when it is thought expedient to do so.

GERMAN PAPER CONDEMNS THE ZIMMERMAN DOCUMENT

Washington, March, 2.—Senator Sherman of Illinois caused to be read to the Senate today a telegram from the Chicago Staats Zeitung, of which Horace L. Brand is editor, expressing condemnation of the Zimmerman instructions proposing an alliance with Germany, Mexico and Japan to make war on the United States, if the note as published yesterday was "correctly copied and is authentic."

NEGOTIATIONS IN PROGRESS FOR ENTRANCE OF CHINA IN THE WAR AGAINST GERMANY

Success Hinges on Agreement by the Allies to Guarantee Satisfactory Rewards

BREAK REGARDED CERTAIN

China Wants Relaxation of Trade Restrictions Imposed After Boxer Troubles

This, It is Indicated, the Entente Has Already Agreed Upon

Washington, March 2.—Negotiations looking to China's entrance into the war against the Central Powers now are in progress at Peking and all the Entente capitals, it was learned here today, and their success depends upon the harmonizing of the rewards to be given China with the amount of co-operation demanded of her.

It is regarded as certain that China will sever relations with Germany and a declaration of war probably will follow if the Entente will guarantee satisfactory relaxation of the restrictions imposed upon the eastern empire by the world powers after the Boxer troubles.

Facts learned today from official and diplomatic circles serve to clear up much of the obscurity which has overhung events in the Far East in the past month. Occasional vague dispatches from China and references in the Reichstag to "China's abandonment of neutrality" have thrown only dim light upon Germany's endeavor to keep China out of the struggle, the Entente's moves to bring her in and China's reluctance to change her present state of peace without adequate guarantees.

China desires to obtain the complete remission of the Boxer indemnities, which total over $30,000,000 a year and continue until 1940. If she enters the war the part which otherwise would be paid to Austria and Germany could be repudiated.

Information here indicates that the Entente already has agreed to postpone payments in case China begins hostilities, but does not corroborate Tientsin advices that France and Belgium, in behalf of the powers, have offered complete remission.

The sum involved is such an appreciable part of China's total expenses that a satisfactory agreement might well remove the financial difficulties of the government.

China also desires consent of the powers to increase her import duties which under the existing treaties not only cannot exceed 5 per cent ad valorem, but are based on the average prices of 1897, 1898 and 1899.

The United States has long urged this on the other 16 signatory powers but so far only Japan and Great Britain have given consent. Others have consented under extreme restrictions.

The Entente powers on their part are anxious to have China in the war, not only as a reservoir of men but as the biggest open trade market after the war.

Already under agreement with local syndicates headed by French and British residents more than 100,000 Chinese laborers and agriculturists have gone to increase the Entente's man power, the great majority to France.

It has been the drowning of many of these laborers on their way to France on such boats as the liner Athos, for instance, that first made China's protest to Germany against submarine warfare an actual threat of severance of relations.

There are about 3,000 Germans in China who would be placed in concentration camps if war were declared.

POSTAL APPROPRIATION BILL NOW GOES TO THE PRESIDENT

Is Predicted He Will Sign It—Carries "Bone Dry" Amendment.

Washington, March 2.—Without a roll call and practically no debate the Senate late today adopted the conference report on the postal appropriation bill, which carries the Reed "bone dry" amendment, prohibiting the shipment of intoxicating liquors into states which forbid its sale and manufacture. The measure now goes to the President and prohibition champions prepared to send champions to the White House. Because of the belief expressed in some quarters that the Presidenta might veto the bill.

Although the appropriations carried in the bill are for the fiscal year beginning in July, the "bone dry" amendment would become effective immediately upon the attaching of the President's signature.

SAYS GERMANS IN MEXICO HAVE SEVERAL RADIO PLANTS

San Diego, Cal., March 2.—That there are several wireless stations being operated by German army officers along the Lower California coast and that a number of German officers in civilian clothes are making their headquarters at Tijuana, Mexico, a few miles south of this city, was asserted tonight by Don Stewart, junior officer of the naval militia. Government and local officials said tonight they would make a thorough investigation of the rumors.

Washington, March 2.—Late tonight the House formally disagreed to all Senate amendments and sent the measure to conference. The acion was regarded, however, as largely perfunctory, for with the difference over the bond issue cleared away it appeared there was little doubt of a final agreement on other details.

LESS HOUSEHOLD WASTE IS URGED

Greater Economy by American Families Given as One Means to Reduce High Prices

$700,000,000 ANNUAL WASTE

Secretary Houston Emphasizes Importance of Food Cost Investigation. Increased Production is Urged.

Washington, March 2.—Greater food production and practice of household economies were urged by Secretary of Agriculture Houston today to help reduce the cost of living. American families he estimated waste in their kitchens annually more than $700,000,000 worth of edibles.

There is nothing in the situation to justify hysteria, he declared, because there is no real shortage of food in the country.

Mr. Houston emphasized the importance of the food cost investigation directed by President Wilson and help our hope that increased acreages this year may insure greater food supplies. Wheat and potatoes, he said, were unusually short last year but there will be enough to supply very nearly normal needs.

The food problem cannot be solved, in the secretary's opinion, through price fixing by the Federal or state governments but by "intelligent planning and constructive action, in conjunction with the operation of normal forces." Urging inquiry into the causes of advancing prices, he said:

"A full and satisfactory explanation of prevailing prices is not possible on the basis of existing knowledge. Where the food supply is located, who owns it, what may be the difficulties of getting it, whether the local market conditions are due to car shortage, whether there is artificial manipulation or control no one can state with certainty. It is essential that we have the facts because of the light they might throw on present conditions and because they are requisite for the working out of a permanent, just and economical system of marketing.

"The investigation directed by the President ought to be made promptly, and Congress ought to give the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Agriculture the necessary funds."

NO PROPOSAL WAS MADE TO JAPAN

Foreign Minister Motono Denies Being Approached by Either Mexico or Germany

SUCH AN IDEA RIDICULOUS

Says If Mexico Considered the German Plot, That Country Showed Intelligence in Not Transmitting It to Japan.

Tokio, March 2.—"Japan has received no proposition from either Mexico or Germany directly or indirectly to join in a possible war against the United States," Viscount Motono, Japanese foreign minister, informed the Associated Press today.

Viscount Motono said he considered such an idea ridiculous, it being based on the outrageous presumption that Japan would abandon her allies. If Mexico considered the proposal, Viscount Motono added, that country showed intelligence in not transmitting it to Japan.

GARCIA SAYS THE MEXICAN SYMPATHIES ARE PRO-ALLY

El Paso, Texas, March, 2.—"Mexico is pro-ally in its sympathies and any efforts to spread German propaganda there would meet with little encouragement among the Mexican people," Andres Garcia, inspector general of Mexican consulates, said tonight upon his return from Mexico City where he was in conference with General Carranza, Minister Candide Aguilar of the Department of foreign relations, and General Alvaro Obregon, minister of war.

"If there are any Germans or Mexicans with German sympathies trying to influence public opinion in Mexico through official or semi-official positions, they will be discharged as soon as discovered, I am sure," said Mr. Garcia.

"There are not more than six men in the Mexican army with German names and they have been with the constitutionalist movement from its inception."

CITY GOVERNMENT BILL UNAMENDED PASSES THE HOUSE

Senate Votes to Submit Three Constitutional Amendments to People for Ratification

BAN ON PROHIBITION BILLS

Page Bill to Make Illicit Distilling a Felony Passed by House; Little Opposition

(BY W. J. MARTIN.)

Raleigh, N. C., March 2.—The House tonight passed without amendment the municipal bill providing machinery for city government under the constitutional amendments and passed the substitute composite bill made up of the Pegram and the Brenizer bills, the substitute being that worked out by the joint committee of the House and Senate. There was an effort through amendments by Grier and Doughton to change the basis of elections on the propositions to change forms of government, but proposed amendments were voted down, the roll call being 48 to 52. The bill then passed its readings.

The House received tonight the Jonas bone dry bill from the Senate, passed late last night, and assigned it to the unfavorable calendar under the rule as subject matter on which the House has heretofore acted unfavorably. It is precluded from being restored for consideration by the fact that two-thirds majority would be necessary to put it on the calendar.

The House tabled the bill by Ray, of Chatham, for two emergency judges, it having proved impossible for the Western and Eastern representatives to get together on any sort of an emergency judge and district adjustment.

Bills Passed Senate.

The Senate tonight passed a bill to prohibit liquor advertisements in this State; The Torrens land title bill; Amend the law as to State printing; Amend the general insurance laws; Concurrence in House amendment to the Australian ballot bill, applying it to Buncombe, Henderson and Madison counties; Regulate oyster bedding in Pamlico Sound; Scales bill to prohibit certain practices in hotels.

The McNider ouster bill stirred opposition, narrowly escaped being tabled and then passed to apply to a large number of counties, including Buncombe, New Hanover, Brunswick, Robeson, Mecklenburg and many others.

PRESENT QUART LAW NOT TO BE DISTURBED BY LEGISLATURE

Raleigh, N. C., March 2.—Following the stormy "bone dry" legislation indulged in after last midnight, there has been a sort of sane survey of the legislative bearings that shows the legislation to be the veriest sort of "clap trap" politics, according to the best informed law makers of the Assembly. The fact is that there is not the slightest possibility of the Senate substitute measure getting any sort of a standing on the House calendar since the special rule for the closing days of the session specifically bars from consideration any bill the subject matter of which has been adversely passed upon on the floor of the House or unfavorably reported from committee.

The House has been all through the "bone dry" and intermediate stages of prohibition legislation, even to unfavorable report of the proposed prohibition commissioner bill that Senator Oates offered in the Senate after he had joined in voting for Minority Leader Jonas' bone dry bill. There seems to be not the slightest possibility of the recent North Carolina two-quart-per-month importation act being in any

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LES DARCY CLASSED WITH THE SLACKERS

Will Not be Permitted to Fight Dillon Monday Night

Governor Whitman Directs Athletic Commission to Prohibit the Bout Scheduled for Madison Square Garden.

Albany, N. Y., March 2.—Governor Whitman today directed the state athletic commission to prohibit the boxing bout scheduled for Madison Square Garden next Monday night between Les Darcy and Jack Dillon, on the ground that Les Darcy is a "slacker."

The governor said:

"I have directed the boxing commission to forbid the holding of the so-called 'boxing exhibition' at Madison Square Garden Monday night. I am informed that one Les Darcy has planned, that the fight shall be a 'fight to the finish' or 'knockout.'

"Les Darcy, I am informed, is a runaway from his own country. In disguise and under an alias he left his native land (Australia) because he was afraid to fight in the cause for which his fellow countrymen are sacrificing their lives. He prefers to give a brutal exhibition at some personal risk, for a purse of $30,000.

"I believe the citizens of this state

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GUNS READY TO BE MOUNTED ON SHIPS

As Soon as President Gives Order to Arm Merchantmen There Will be No Time Lost

MATERIAL AT NAVY YARDS

Only Gunners With Good Records As Marksmen Would Be Employed to Man the Rifles—Machine Guns May Also Be Mounted

Washington, March 2.—With guns, mounts and ammunition for arming American merchant ships already assembled at navy yards, putting the weapons aboard can begin immediately on orders from President Wilson.

Every important Atlantic coast navy yard is ready to undertake work on ships in its district on instructions from the department. It is expected that upon President Wilson's direction that applications of American ships for guns be complied with, the commandants of navy yards would be instructed specifically to equip each ship for which application is made. Aside from a blanket application from the American Line covering all its ships, the Navy Department now has only requests for guns for a few vessels.

The work would be done at navy yards. Ships first scheduled to sail would be the first armed and navy officials expect little delay in getting them ready for sea.

Under the Senate bill a full complement of guns may be placed on board each ship. The big liners which would carry six 6-inch guns each for war purposs probably would carry two or more for defense against submarines.

The question of providing gun crews would be taken up for each ship separately, according to the present plans. If former navy gunners with good records as marksmen are available they will be employed. If not, enlisted crews from the navy yards or reserve warships will be assigned to man the guns.

It is possible that machine guns would be placed aboard merchant ships as well as the big rifles.

BILL TO AUTHORI E AUTHORITY FOR ARMED NEUTRALITY IS PRESSED

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other supplies of war destined for delivery to the armed forces of a belligerent nation engaged in war with another nation with which the United States is at peace."

Senator Cummins proposed to amend Senator Stone's amendment so as to authorize the President also to convoy armed merchant ships "if necessary to protect them and the men, women and children who may be lawfully upon them—from unlawful attacks of submarines."

In his opening statement Senator Hitchcock said:

Confidence In President

"When the committee came to consider these requests attention was called to an old statute which prohibited United States vessels from resisting by force public vessels of other nations. Therefore the committee added authority to United State.. vessels to defend themselves against unlawful attack. It was feared that if this law was not repealed United States merchantmen would subject themselves to treatment as pirates if they resisted.

"The bill has been reported as one, if enacted, that may lead to war. But the United States will be in less danger of war during the next few months or the next few weeks if the President is equipped with the power he seeks in assuming a position of armed neutrality.

"I believe the attitude of the United States under this administration and with his strong purpose to keep the United States out of war if possible is less likely to lead to war than if the the United States is to continue in the present uncertain state where neither the people of the United States nor our merchantmen nor the belligerents know exactly what our attitude is. If we stand for our neutral rights it will be known to every belligerent what our definite position is.

"I believe there is more safety in a certain position than in an uncertain one and would rather trust the President, who dreads war, than I would trust this body itself."

Answering a question by Senator Jones as to whether the President would be given power to protect ships of other nations, Mr. Hitchcock called attention to the words "vessels of the United States" in the bill.

Senator Lodge, the ranking Republican member of the committee, also said the measure gave the President no right to arm a foreign ship, but added:

"I do think, decidedly that American citizens in peaceful pursuit of trade or travel who are lawfully on a belligerent merchant ship have rights which it is the duty of this government to guard."

Lodge Reads Hoy's Message

Senator Lodge then read the cablegram sent to President Wilson by Austin G. Hoy, whose mother and sister were lost on the Laconia. In the message Hoy offered his services to the United States to fight and declared if no opportunity were given him by the United States to avenge the death of his mother and sister he would enlist under a foreign flag.

"That to me," Senator Lodge declared, "is painful reading. Those two women were lawfully on that ship. They did not sacrifice their rights as American citizens. It was a merchant ship, torpedoed without warning in the dark, the women perishing miserably in an open boat.

"I don't think this bill gives the President any right to convoy such a ship unless the United States should be at war, but without law the President has some power to assert the rights of harmless, peaceful travelers."

"This bill is no declaration of war," Senator Lodge continued. "In it we are giving to the President the powers we think he ought to have in response to his request. Then the responsibility is his. I would not have Congress withhold such power when the country is at odds with a foreign power.

German Plot Increases Gravity.

"I am one who thinks it for the best in this country that Congress should remain in session in such a time as this. I hoped the President would call Congress at an early date. I think the situation is extremely grave. I think the bill before us is more than ever needful in presence of that letter the authenticity of which the President gave us last night. Some senators have been inclined to regard that note as a playful matter.

"It seems to me when one of the greatest nations of the world was conspiring with other nations friendly to us to engage in war against us if we sustained our rights against submarine warfare, that it is no time to be closefisted in the powers we confer on the President of the United States."

Senator Lodge said he opposed any language in the bill restricting the power to be given the President, because he believed that would be saying to the President that he should not commit an act of war.

"I feel very sure," he continued "that when the President is ready to make war he would call Congress in session and would not commit an act of war without the authority of the only constitutional body that can declare it.

"I feel that if we are not prepared to trust the President with the powers he has asked we have no right to give him anything at all."

Many Opinions Expressed

In a colloquy with Senator Cummins, Senator Lodge said he expected any armed merchant vessel would use its guns if a German submarine were sighted and he would "be sorry if she did not use them."

"I am in favor of sinking these submarines on sight," replied Senator Cummins, "but there is no use in closing our eyes to the patent fact that if we send out ships and intend that they attack submarines when sighted we are committing an act of war."

Senator Lodge said he differed from that view. He declared that every merchant ship has the right to defend itself and that "when the periscope of a German submarine appears in the vicinity of a merchantman it is the first signal for an attack."

He agreed with a suggestion by Senator Williams that in such a situation the act of war would rather be on the part of the submarine.

Replying to Senator Reed, Mr. Lodge said a merchantman would be justified in sinking any submarine on sight whether German, British or French if they had been sinking vessels without warning by direction of their government.

"Then if we arm our vessels they will be expected to shoot at submarines upon seeing a periscope?" asked Senator Reed.

"That is my understanding," Mr. Lodge answered, insisting that it would not be an act of war but of self-defense.

"What if the merchant vessel misses and is sunk by the submarine?" persisted Senator Reed.

Senator Lodge thought that would not be an act of war.

An Act of War?

"Germany claims the right to stab in the back, regardless of human rights and all because Germany claims — — submarines, being of delicate construction, might get hurt if they observe international law," said Senator Poindexter, who expressed the opinion that sinking of a German submarine—a war vessel—by an American merchantman would be an act of war.

Declaring it means war if armed merchant vessels pursue a "shoot at sight" policy toward German submarines, Senator Reed asked whether it "wouldn't be more business-like to take our fighting ships and go out hunting submarines."

Senator Husting interjected that the methods proposed in the bill "leave to Germany whether she will commit the act that leads to war."

"The bill gives him no power to roam the seas hunting German submarines," said Senator Walsh.

Senator Reed said he was apprehensive of the result of the bill but intended to vote for it.

Senator James contended that the sinking of a German submarine by an American merchantman would not necessarily mean war and that the United States "must protect our commerce or get off the seas."

Senator Reed insisted that while he intended to vote for the bill senators should not shut their eyes to the fact that the final result of it "probably is war."

"Firing by a merchant vessel upon a German submarine will amount to the same thing as if fired from a United States man-of-war," he said. "We are practically saying that an attack will be replied to from the throats of United States naval guns."

"If Germany wants to cause war on that basis I am willing to meet her upon that basis," said Senator Brandegee.

Senator Lee asked why the United States, if it armed its ships, should not insist upon their going into German ports. This reference to the allied blockade drew a quick objection from Senator Poindexter, who declared "that there is a deep and fundamental distinction between the British blockade and the killing by Germany of American women and children without warning."

"REBEL YELL" RESOUNDS IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

When Major Stedman Calls for Defense of Stars and Stripes

Washington, March, 2.—When, in the course of the debate in the House yesterday, objections were voiced to granting to the President the powers sought by him to deal with the German submarine menace, Representative Stedman, of North Carolina, a Confederate veteran and one of the oldest Representatives, answered them with an appeal to patriotism.

"This House ought to send a message to all nations," he declared, "that it will protect its rights, the lives of its people and the American flag in its pristine splendor wherever it may float over land or sea."

The "rebel yell" resounded through the chamber as he concluded.

ZIMMERMANN DISCUSSES THE NEGOTIATIONS WITH DENMARK

London, March 2.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent quotes a Berlin dispatch dealing with an address in the Reichstag by Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, German foreign secretary, with regard to the reported negotiations between Germany and Denmark.

Dr. Zimmermann said he considered steamship communication between Denmark and Norway unobjectionable, and added:

"We proclaimed the commerce barrier against our enemies, but did not say that he would prevent communication between neutrals. If vessels go from Denmark to Norway and there transfer foodstuffs to English steamers, then we hope such vessels will be sunk by our submarines if they enter our commerce barrier."

CHURCH BELLS IN GERMANY USED FOR WAR REQUIREMENTS

Copenhagen, March 2 (via London).—Germany is drawing upon church bells for war requirements. An order appropriating bronze church bells after March 1 is published in the German press. One bell in a crime may be retained if needed.

To Vote on Prohibition.

Jefferson, Mo., March 2.—The senate and house of the Missouri Legislature have voted to submit a constitutional amendment providing state-wide prohibition in November, 1918. The house engrossed an amendment providing that prohibition, if adopted, should take effect January 1, 1920.

West Raleigh, N. C., March 2.—More than 50 candidates have responded to the call of Coach Hartsell for baseball practice at A. & M. The prospects indicate that the Techs will have a team capable of upholding the Aggies' prestige on the diamond.

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IN THE REALM OF SPORTS

BEELL EASY FOR HANSON

Local Favorite Downed South Carolina Crack in Straight Falls at Woolvin Hall Last Night

Fred Beell, of Cowpens, S. C., proved a comparatively easy victim for Fritz Hanson at Woolvin Hall last night, the South Carolinian losing to the local Swede with straight falls. Hanson pinned Beell's shoulders to the mat in the first fall in 22 minutes with a crotch and half nelson, and Fred quit the second in 10 minutes under the punishment of a body scissors and arm lock.

The match could not be called a sensational meeting nor was it more than passably interesting. Hanson was far the superior of his rival with the exception of strength. He outclassed the Cowpens man in skill and led him a merry chase in point of speed, although Beell was very fast.

The only flashes that Beell gave that in any way came up to his reputation, were the few times that he broke Hanson's arm locks after the Swede had apparently seized him in a death grip. The crowd attending the match was one of the smallest of the season.

Beell admitted that he was fairly beaten but said that he had snatched but one hour of sleep on the night previous, and was consequently in bad shape. He asked Hanson for another match but Fritz countered him by offering to match him with some other man here, and then to take him on if he proved the winner.

Fritz received a slight scratch over the eye during the progress of the match, that bled profusely and at times interfered with his vision.

Hunter and Beall in Finals.

Pinehurst, N. C., March 2.—Robert Hunter, of the Weeburn club, and E. C. Beall, of the Uniontown Country club, were the survivors today in the semi-finals of the spring golf tournament here, the former defeating Norman H. Maxwell, of the Aronimink club, Philadelphia, at the 19th hole and Beall winning from C. J. Murphy, of the Wollaston club, 2 to 1. Hunter and Beall will meet tomorrow in the finals.

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CITY LEAGUE MEETS TONIGHT

Final Plans for The Opening of The Season Will Be Perfected

The moguls and managers of the city league will meet in the W. L. I. armory tonight to perfect plans and schedule for the 1917 playing season, which will open on April 14. Officers will also be elected and everything put in readiness for the calling of "play ball". All those who expect to play in the league during the coming season are urged to attend this meeting.

From the number of fast performers who are being gathered into the fold by the various team managers, it looks as if the circuit is going to be considerably stronger during the coming season than it has ever been in the past. A number of college stars will be seen in the line up and these with the veterans of past years should prove a formidable aggregation in each of the four camps of the league.

Cooper Joins Phillies

Philadelphia, March, 2.—The signed contract of Claude Cooper, the former Brooklyn Federal outfielder who is expected to play right field for the Philadelphia National League team, was received by the club management today.

Two Refuse to Sign

Nashville, Tenn., March, 2.—"Pig" Cavet, left handed, pitcher, and Bill Ellis, right hander, have returned their contracts to the Nashville baseball club unsigned. They want more money.

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YEH, MAYBE DAVE IS HIDING UNDER ONE OF THEM!
HEAR 'IM BARKIN'? HE MUST BE IN THAT PIPE WHERE THE DOG IS SITTING WE'RE TWO AGAINST ONE SO ITS A CINCH!!
COME OUT FROM THERE Y'BIG CROOK BEFORE WE SHOOT!!!

THEATRICAL

Today the Grand presents the greatest attraction of the past six months, and one that will result in standing room only crowds, at the regular low admission prices.

It is a presentation of America's darling, Mary Pickford, starring in one of the greatest photoplays that she ever made for Paramount, "Such a Little Queen," from the famous story by Channing Pollock. And supporting this greatest of all screen stars is a big bunch of photoplay favorites, including Carlyle Blackwell, Harold Lockwood, Russell Bassett and Arthur Hoops—making absolutely an all-star cast which should make this the most popular offering in many months.

For sheer charm of story, quaintness and daintiness of the central character, honest sentiment and impressive truths, "Such a Little Queen" is one of the gems of the current era of photoplays. Mary Pickford as the little Queen makes one of the best impressions of her brilliant career in this production, not even rivalled by her great Artcraft dramas. There is something indescribably appealing in the personality she portrays, she has dignity and grace, gentleness of manner, charm and winsomeness and she contrasts most effectively the moods identified with a situation in which disappointment and despair must be concealed under the pretense of cheerfulness and courage.

MARY PICKFORD
With Carlyle Blackwell and Harold Lockwood in "Such a Little Queen," at the Grand Today

At The Bijou Today

"Stand By the President" is the slogan with the latest issue of Universal Animated Weekly which holds top position at the Bijou today because of its great timeliness. And it starts off with quotations from Mr. Wilson's great address to Congress, and some singular snapshots of our President. The Secretary of War, Lansing is next shown—Bryan's successor. Then Bernstorff is shown, also Gerard, our Abassador from Berlin. Count Tarnowiski, ambassador from Austria is shown also. "The United States is Ready" is another striking title, and shows Secretary Josephus daniels; torret guns of the dreadnaught Pennsylvania; our submarines, the mosquito fleet, the submarine chasers, the making of shrapnel shell. "Our Coast Defenses are ready". Secretary of War Baker. Some of the big mortars at the entrance to New York harbor, the N. Y. police soldiers. U. S. Customs officials boarding interned German boats at Boston, and many other great scenes.

Marie Walcamp and Lee Hill appear for the first time since the close of "Liberty" in a great three reel thriller today, "The Indian's Lament", a drama of the plains, with a thrill in every inch. Then there's a mammoth L-Ko comedy scream, "The End of a Perfect Day" with inimitable Hank Mann and Gertrude Selby. A great five reel bill today.

"It Pays to Advertise."

Cohan and Harris' farces have drawn the biggest laughs from the American stage. So in the claim that this firm's latest success, "It Pays To Advertise," is the greatest laugh-getter of all, the local theatre-goers may prepare immediately to join the big army of laughers, which were recruited during the year's run of this pay at the Geo. M. Cohan Theatre. "It Pays To Advertise" will be seen at the Academy of Music, matinee and night, on Saturday, March 10.

A Soul-Filling Experience.

Have you ever, in all your prosaic existence, longed for surcease, if only for a few short hours, from every single, blessed interest and feature of your life? Would you like to completely forget yourself, with your grinding care, or gadfly ambition, and wander for three blissful long hours through the land of the lotus-eaters?

This is the soul-filling experience in store for those who treat themselves to a performance of William Fox's picture beautiful, "A Daughter of the Gods," about which the entire theatre-going public is raised to the "nth power" of enthusiasm." Filmed on the choicest of tropical islands, beautiful Jamaica, with its environs of coral beaches, fringed with plumy palms; rocky headlands and dashing surf, more wonderful than famed Sicilian shores; crescent bays where lovely water-nymphs sun themselves in the sapphire Caribbean; magnificent mountains, deep valleys, fairy grottoes, peopled with elves and gnomes; sweeping plains, on which mighty armies contend, it presents a spectacle which will linger long in the inner chamber of every gypsy heart.

This wonder-picture is booked for the Academy, matinee and night, on next Wednesday. Tickets for both performances will go on sale Monday morning at Elvington's.

"A Daughter of the Gods" Coming to the Academy Matinee and Night, on Next Wednesday.

REDOUBLE EFFORTS TO GET WORKMEN FOR NAVY YARDS

Launching of Super-Dreadnaught New Mexico Already Delayed.

Washington, March 2.—Navy Department officials here redoubled efforts to obtain additional laborers and mechanics for naval construction and repair work at the New York and Boston navy yards. Launching of the super-dreadnaught New Mexico, building at the New York yard, will be seriously delayed, it was said, on account of labor shortage.

SOCIALIST LEADER BITTERLY ASSAILS GERMAN GOVERNMENT

Amsterdam, March 2, (via London).—The Cologne Gazette, a copy of which has been received here, contains a report of a bitter attack on the government by George Ledebour, social democrat leader, in the Reichstag. Herr Ledebour denounced the government's policy of annxation and criticised the "emptiness" of the German peace offer and the demand for a war indemnity, which he characterized as unrealizable. He protested against the deportation of Belgians and Poles and also the proclamation of a Polish kingdom which he termed a "most glaring and flagrant contradiction of the people's right to decide for themselves."

Herr Ledebour was thrice called to order for improper remarks, and his speech provoked a heated reply from Dr. Karl Helfferich, the vice chancellor.

METHODIST SCHOOL BUILDING AT KOBE, JAPAN, IS BURNED.

Toronto, Ont., March 2.—A cable message has been received here announcing the destruction by fire of the new Methodist school building at Kobe, Japan. The school was built, owned and managed by the Methodist church of Canada and the Methodist Episcopal church, South, of the United States.

Committee On Committees Proposed

Washington, March 1.—A recommendation that a committee on committees, composed of fifteen members with the speaker as chairman name the committees of the next House, was adopted tonight by the Republican committee of 27 recently selected to lay organization plans. Members of the ways and means committee now determine committee assignments.

CONE FUNERAL TOMORROW

Greensboro Shocked by Death of Her Wealthiest and Most Prominent Citizen.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Greensboro, N. C., March 2.—The funeral of Caesar Cone will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his magnificent residence on Summit avenue, and interment will be in a plot selected by himself lying between the White Oak Mills and Buffalo Presbyterian church. It is two miles north of the city and near the White Oak school.

The services will be conducted by Rabbi Cohen. The White Oak, Proximity and Revolution Mills, of this city, the Minneola Manufacturing Company, of Gibsonville, the Asheville Cotton Mills, and Cone Export & Commission Company were closed today, and will be closed tomorrow, and the employes relieved of their duty, with full pay.

The death of no man in a long while has shocked the city as it was yesterday afternoon when it was known that Mr. Cone had died. To him and his associates, Greensboro is indebted more than to any others for its progress in the last twenty years. As Greensboro's wealthiest citizen, he had the opportunity and ability to do much for his city and State, and he readily took advantage of this opportunity. He loved his work, and was fond of his business associates and employes. It was his desire that he be buried on his own property near the mills, and, carrying out his wishes, the body will rest on a beautiful knoll that overlooks the three mill villages.

Mr. Cone's death was the more a surprise to Greensboro because he had always enjoyed good health. He took a great deal of out door exercise, and was fond of golf. Recently he had added a fishing preserve in New York, and had spent the last two or three summers at Lake Placid in that state.

No one can easily estimate the wealth of Mr. Cone, but it was several million dollars. His income was estimated to be more than one-quarter of a million dollars annually. While he lived well in a magnificent home, most of his income went to philanthropic purposes, or back into his business.

REBELS SUBMIT TERMS OF PEACE TO PRESIDENT MENOCAL

New York, March 2—Withdrawal of the Cuban military revolutionary leaders from public life has been offered President Menocal of Cuba in return for action on his part "to preserve independence and liberty" in Cuba and prevent American intervention in Cuba's affairs, it was announced here today by Dr. Orestes Ferrara.

Dr. Ferrara is speaker of the Cuban House of representatives and chief in this country of the representatives of the liberal party which is conducting revolt against the Cuban government.

Dr. Ferrara also made public a cablegram received from the military commander of Santiago De Cuba telling of a conference held there with commanders of four American warships and the American consul in which the Americans were informed that the motive of the revolution is to save Cuba from a dictatorship and to obtain legal elections in Las Villas and Oriente provinces.

REVIVAL MEETING AT BOLTON

To Be Conducted by Rev. William Black, Beginning Sunday

(Special Star Correspondence)

Bolton, N. C., March, 2.—Rev. William Black, synodical evangelist, will arrive at Bolton Saturday and began a series of meetings Sunday. He will have with him Mr. Andrew Burr, the sweet singer, who will have charge of the music. The choir is now holding daily practices. The fine sermons and good singing will be attractive features, according to Rev. W. M. Shaw. All are cordially invited to attend the meetings.

BRADSTREET'S TRADE REVIEW.

New York, March 2.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say:

"Trade turned into March accompanied by such restrictive influences as high prices, railroad embargoes, poor country roads and a tense international political situation. New financing shows uncertainty, and fresh buying in regular channels discloses caution as regards far off commitments. Spring trade exceeds a year ago, when currents were running rapidly. Scarcity of staple goods, either because of railway or under-production, is marked, and renders it difficult for jobbers to fill orders. Industry is operating at full capacity except where paucity of labor or scarcity of raw materials or fuel checks energies. Many lines are sold away ahead, the iron and steel industry with business well into 1918 being conspicuous in this respect.

"Weekly bank clearings $5,391,883,000."

FOOD SUPPLY IS IMPORTANT

Would Be One of The Most Vital Matters to Be Considered in Event of War, Thinks Expert

That not the least important matter to be considered in the event of a war with Germany is the production of an adequate food supply for the use of the soldiers and the non-combatants alike, is the opinion of Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator for New Hanover county.

Speaking of the matter yesterday afternoon, Mr. Herring expressed the belief that many young men, who are trained in the agricultural pursuits, could render their country as a great service by directing the efficient production of a food supply as by enlisting under the colors.

Another preparedness measure that is being advocated in certain quarters is the teaching of special forms of agriculture, especially those branches relating to the production of a food to the children, and more especially the girls, in the rural schools, so that if in event of war the greater part of the masculine population is called to the colors, we would have a reserve of non-combatants, trained in the arts of food production to rely on.

The food question is second to none on the firing line, and takes precedence with the soldiers, even over munitions and equipment. Military experts have long ago conceded the fact that an army cannot fight on an empty stomach, any more than it can with empty cartridge boxes.

New Hanover just now, according to Mr. Herring, has a mighty fine outlook for truck this spring, so that if we have to fight within the next few months, we can at least start without a craving palate, Mr. Herring says that lettuce and similar truck has grown more rapidly during the past week than at any time in his career as an active farmer.

The premature spring weather that swept over the country during the past week seems to have been a wonderful benefit to the vegetable producers, and has apparently shortened the time before home raised green vegetables will begin to grace the tables in New Hanover homes.

Furthermore, this latest whim of the weather man, while slightly disagreeable, has not to any appreciable extent injured the growth of the growing crops, according to those in a position to know.

HELD WITHOUT BOND

Kirk Furr Given Preliminary Hearing in Stanly County

(Special Star Telegram).

Wadesboro, N. C., March 2.—Sheriff Blalock, of Stanly county, came down here today and carried Kirk Furr, who is alleged to have killed Policeman Snuggs sometime ago, to Norwood, where he was given a preliminary hearing. Furr was remanded to jail without bond and was brought back here and placed in jail this afternoon.

William Hoffstetter Dies.

Nashville, Tenn., March 1.—William Hoffstetter, who was shot in the county court house here yesterday when E. G. Tompkins opened fire on him with a revolver, died late today. He was operated on to remove the bullet. After being shot Hoffstetter stabbed Tompkins to death.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed, dated June 6th, 1916, made and executed by W. H. King, James M. King and wife, F. V. King, to the Citizens' Bank, Inc., duly registered in Book 80, Page 400, of the records in the office of the Register of Deeds, New Hanover county, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of interest due on the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned will sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the said county of New Hanover, at Twelve o'clock noon, on Monday the 2nd day of April, 1917, the following described piece, parcel or lot of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point where the Eastern line of Fifth street intersects with the Southern line of Marstella street, and runs thence Eastwardly with and along the said Southern line of Marstella street, 80 feet; thence Southwardly and parallel with the Eastern line of Fifth street 33 feet; thence Westwardly and parallel with the Southern line of Marstella street 80 feet to the Eastern line of Fifth street; thence Northwardly with and along said Eastern line of Fifth street 33 feet to the point of beginning. The same being a part of Lot 1, in Block 540, according to the present official plan of the said City of Wilmington, N. C.

Dated and posted this the 28th day of February, 1917.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

First Presbyterian church, corner Third and Orange streets, Rev. John M. Wells, D. D., pastor.—Preaching by the pastor in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 8. Morning subject: "The Paschal Lamb." Evening: "God or Mammon." Sunday school at 9:45. Christian Endeavor at 7:15 in tht evening. Pews are free and all are cordially invited to attend all services.

Winter Park Presbyterian church, Rev. Andrew J. Howell, pastor.—Services tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 3:30. Christian Endeavor Society at 7:15. Midweek services Wednesday evening at 7:45. Visitors will receive a hearty welcome at the services.

Delgado Presbyterian church.—Services tomorrow evening at 7:30, conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 11. Midweek services Thursday evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor.—Preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sabbath school at 3:30. Junior Christian Endeavor at 4:30. Intermediate and Senior C. E. at 7:15. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Seats free. All welcome.

Pearsall Memorial Presbyterian church, East Wilmington, Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor.—Sabbath school at 10:30. Preaching at 11:15. Christian Endeavor at 7:30. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30. A welcome for all.

Harnett Street Mission, Eighth and Harnett streets, Rev. W. M. Baker, evangelist in charge.—Sabbath school at 9:30. Preaching each second and four Sabbaths at 7:30 P. M.

Dutch Steamer Arrives

Baltimore, March 2.—The Dutch steamer Riisbergen has arrived here from Barry, Wales, with a report of the rescue at sea of the American steamer Borinquen, out of coal and with food enough on board to give each man one meal a day.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as Administrator of the estate of W. N. Royall, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present the same to me, duly authenticated, on or before the 3rd day of February, 1918, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to the said estate will please make prompt payment.

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Take Advantage of the Saturday Specials

In yesterday's papers we quoted a number of real money saving special values. These are in force throughout today.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

The greatest of all the battlefields is the battfield of the human hearts where the invisible forces of the enemy lay siege to the citadel of the soul to drag down and destroy.

—HOWARD AGNEW JOHNSTON.

Too late to dispute about that Hampton Roads conference.

An opportunity—To raise potatoes and then a follow crop.

The ship that everybody would like to stand by is an heirship.

When we come to think about it, we realize that it hasn't started yet.

The overt act has been committed too often and that's what's the trouble.

Most all of us are getting too proud to acknowledge the corn these bone dry times.

Noah planted a vineyard and made wine so he could eat grapes and keep it from being bone dry.

When a woman's judgment is more sensible than that of man he refers to her wisdom as intuition.

Lots of men would rather get behind Professor Taft than to get behind Colonel Roosevelt and egg him on a bit.

Whether the sinking of the Laconia was an overt act, we can all agree that it was a covert act—committed under cover of night.

We may find out the cause of the high price of foodstuffs, but unless we can obviate the causes we are right where we began.

While you have been reminded not to rock the boat, don't monkey around and throw the monkey wrench into the machinery.

A New York produce speculator recently cleaned up $500,000 on onions. Who's eating all those inguns, as they say over there in South Kerliner?

There is a far cry from the conservative man to the fire eater. As a general thing a fire eater simply chews the rag but eats no red hot furnace.

A man who has courage ought not to be afraid to sign his regular name to what he writes. Upon matters of serious importance the anoymous writer is as big a sneak as an undersea assassin, alias u-boat.

A Georgia congressman advocates bone dry prohibition of the use of tobacco. He must have no idea of running for Congress again so his constituents can do something to him in the way of putting him up a gum stump.

A citizen sensibly remarked yesterday that he had quit talking and was doing the watchful waiting stunt. He said he had opinions, of course, but that it was no use to express them and take chances on having them misunderstood and repeated in words that he never said.

If Congress wants to reserve its power to itself, let Congress show us what kind of power it proposes to exercise. Congress is facing a condition now, and is no longer countemplating a theory. With due apologies to Grover Cleveland, the originator of national preparedness.

Well, if the Legislature's purpose in changing the name of the A. & M. College was to shorten it, the difference between the old name of North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts and the new name of State College of Agriculture and Engineering is hardly enough to pay for the trouble of passing the bill. However, we must admit that the new name is some improvement, even though for headline purposes A. & E. College is neither more nor less convenient than A. & M. College.

THE STORMS OVERHEAD

But for the storms overhead and the cold clouds that bring to us periods of gloom, we would not appreciate the glorious sun when it shines out again. Perhaps we have adversities as a lesson by which we may learn that there is something else in life besides joy and sunshine.

What boots it that the clouds lower and crises threaten, if they but only remind us that we must be serious now and then? There is always something to keep us from becoming obsessed of the idea that life is one sweet dream, since there come times when we find that even adversity serves to make us thoughtful and mindful and stronger for the battle of life—a battle in which there are mingled the triumphs, the achievements, the defeats and the tragedies of the lifetime of men and women.

Perhaps we haven't loved peace enough and are so unappreciative of peace and prosperity that we love a jingo and despise a pacifist. We have been so accustomed to see Old Glory fluttering in the breeze that we have grown unmindful of what it means to us as citizens of George Washington's Republic, a nation founded upon the blood of heroes who fought for liberty for themselves and bequeathed it to us. Perhaps crises come to us to make us feel a thrill when the flag of our great country inspires us with patriotism as it floats and waves on high—to be kept there so long as we are true to it and true to ourselves. Now we can look with pride and patriotic impulse upon the Stars and Stripes—the Red, White and Blue.

Perhaps in the midst of too much peace and prosperity we have wrangled and stood apart and mistrusted each other because of politics. Perhaps we have forgotten that we are one people with but one flag—one destiny for one nation and one people.

This is a time when there comes a national outlook that makes us all look the same way. We cease our senseless bickering and our partisanrancor and get together as one people, shoulder to shoulder in a common cause. Contentions cease when the darksome shadows come, and we look to one another and rely upon one another when one people are faced one way, with one purpose, with one flag and one destiny to achieve for America.

A spirit of optimism comes over us when we reflect that menace and calamity and catastrophe serve their uses in sobering us up so we can head ourselves off a bit.

DRIVING THE GIRLS AND BOYS AWAY

Miss B. M. Altman, R. F. D., Conley, DeKalb, Ga., writes to the Atlanta Constitution to complain of the neglected portion of the county in which she resides. She vigorously indicts the county for maintaining a system of mud holes that go under the name of roads. She expresses regret that it remains for a woman to take up the cudgels for good roads, but conditions impel her to speak out more for the love of her county than for the love of Mike—the way she feels.

She gives DeKalb horrible example publicity to the extent of making it known that the roads are so completely ignored by the authorities and the people that "for days it has been impossible for man or beast to travel". She appeals for relief, yet she declares that when a discussion comes up on the subject of improved highways as a remedy for such intolerable rural conditions, the citizens and voters say as a whole, "No use! No use!" The politicians are afraid to spring bond questions and so far as hope of getting a remedy is concerned she says "we have tried and appealed in vain."

The DeKalb lady denounces this neglect as inconsistency and unprogressiveness, and she states that it is a fact that when a physician is needed in an emergency it is impossible for him to respond in an effort to save a life. She relates the recent experience of a physician who responded to a telephone call at 1:30 p. m., but who failed to reach his patient till after 6 o'clock, because he was bogged up for three hours in a mud hole. Because of mud in the winter and dust in the summer, the schools are poorly attended, showing that bad roads are perpetuating the ignorance of the community. All this is near the great city of Atlanta, and she says it accounts for the fact that "our boys and girls, in order to escape from such conditions, are fleeing from the farm, preferring to take chances in the city with its toll of human wreckage, either to sink or swim, than to remain in such isolation and under such conditions, to say nothing of the farmer and dairyman on whom the city depends largely for support."

The truth of it is that a negligent citizenship is steeping the county in ignorance and driving away the future men and women who must be depended upon for the future of the community. What kind of a home coming week could the county of DeKalb have till it alters all the desolation from which its best boys and girls are fleeing? There is no excuse for it, either, for Miss Altman says:

"We have good farms, and no better citizens in the world, and I can safely say that with our roads improved our farms will double in value, and if voters is what our county politicians are after we will double the number in less than two years, fill our empty schools and improve social conditions, making the country homes and the country as a whole a 'thing of beauty and a joy forever.'"

All this is typical of similar conditions in hundreds of communities in North Carolina. Neglect of roads is blocking progress, and if it drives the boys and girls away, it certainly will keep homeseekers away. How, then, can a negligent community ever hope to develop or to increase the value of its farms or to make its people proud and happy because of their modern environments?

The girls and boys of this day have aspirations that will not stand for it. They want a social side to their existence, and they would like to have highways upon which to joyride in autos, to take a spin behind a high stepper, or to visit their friends or to go to church.

How fortunate is New Hanover county—our county—in having a cross section of highways all over the county and a belt-line ocean boulevard upon which life is enjoyable out of town as well as in the city! People in the remotest rural sections can attend the theatres, the movies and meetings in the city and soon be at home after a pleasant trip to Wilmington for the evening. Rural transportation gives our farmers new opportunities, and the general development of the county not only pays for the roads but makes a valuable asset of the whole county and city.

Who would live in a county in which there is desolation, where the door of opportunity is closed, where the way of hope is darkened, and from which the splendid boys and girls are fleeing in order to get a chance in life?

MORE ELECTRIC POWER

The dispatches announce that the Southern Power Company, with headquarters at Charlotte, will spend $6,000,000 in the development of another huge hydro-electric power plant on the Wateree river nearly opposite Camden, S. C. This plant is a few miles south of the great plants of the company at Fishing Creek and Catawba Falls, on the Catawba river, which changes its name to that of the Wateree a few miles below the falls. From the falls for some 30 miles the river plunges seaward in a series of rapids that will furnish an immense amount of power for transmission. In the new plant 100,000 horse power will be developed and it will be connected with six other plants belonging to the same company.

The Wateree plant will be larger than any of the other six, two of which are in North Carolina. There will be five plants in South Carolina. The new plant will be completed by November, 1918. It is significant that electrical development continues on such a tremendous scale in the piedmont. The industrial development of the country warrants it, and the power development is a guarantee that the hydro-electric section is destined to continue to be the center of cotton manufacturing in the South. The enormous resources of the South Atlantic country make all of this a possibility and the millions of capital of such men as Mr. J. B. Duke and his associates make it a certainty.

The expenditure of millions of dollars invested in developing the water powers of the Carolinas is the best evidence of the great confidence placed in the potentiality of the resources of this portion of the South.

A SAMPLE OF GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP

We don't hear much discussion of government ownership of railroads these days, although there is a railroad problem that is one for both the country and the railroads. Whatever that problem may be as to either side of the question, we don't know of the existence of any considerable government ownership sentiment, yet the Railway Age Gazette recently contained this editorial on the subject:

"Most discussion regarding the advantages or disadvantages that might be expected from government ownership of railways centers around the question as to how the government would act if it were charged with the duty of railroad operation. A great many advocates of government ownership base their arguments on the assumption that under such circumstances the government would manage its railway affairs very differently from the way in which it usually manages the other affairs entrusted to it. The government of the Philippine Islands, which is under the jurisdiction of the War Department of the United States, has recently acquired the ownership of the Manila Railroad, operating some 500 miles in the islands and at its first opportunity to show how it proposed to proceed with its administration it has appointed a politicians instead of a railroad man as president of the road. Eugene E. Reed, who has been placed in this important position, has been for the past yea rsecretary of commerce and police of the Philippine government, having been appointed to that position by President Wilson. We do not pretend to know anything about his personal qualifications for the position but the outline of his career as published in the Congressional Directory does not indicate the kind of experience which would best fit him for the office of a railroad president. In his younger days he was for several years in the contracting business and later was a train dispatcher for the Boston & Maine, but since 1899 his principal business seems to have been politics. He was for four years an alderman in Manchester, N. H., five times mayor of the city, for several more years a national congressional committeeman and was a member of the Sixty-third Congress. Possibly this appointment is some evidence as to what the government would do under a plan of government ownership in this country."

The remarks of the Railway Age Gazette are interesting in the particular that it reminds us that we have government owned railroads in the Philippines, in the Panama Canal Zone and in Alaska, where Uncle Sam is building a road some 30 or 90 miles long. The Alaska road will be a very costly one, but it will open up a country of vast richness in resources. We are yet to see how the government will manage its railroads. However, we may well conceive that politics will have a great deal to do with their management whether the Democratic or the Republican party is in power.

The subject is always an exceedingly interesting one, and perhaps our experiments with government ownership in our colonial possessions will furnish us argumtnts pro and con should the question ever become acute. We hope it won't, but we never can tell. If the railroads will keep politics out of them, perhaps politics will keep away from the railroads. We are rather under the impression that the railroads and the people are beginning to have a better understanding of each other, hence we hear of very little agitation of this subject.

Some of our exchanges say they are proud of the Legislature. We are also proud of it—too proud to fight the Legislature, for it is good to North Carolina's old aunts, such as her antiquated tax system, her antiquated prison system and other antiquated things. The Legislature has done all that we expected of it, so it is as good a legislature as we ever had. It is trying to suit the people and it comes very nearly doing it, even on the dog question.

Everybody must acknowledge that President Wilson has patiently tried diplomacy for all it is worth. He wants to try something else. We have confidence enough in him to give him a free hand. The Star has always supported him in all his efforts and trials and it is willing to stand by him when it is evident that he has had trials enough to arouse the Sphinx to action.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Senator Person, of Franklin, desires to know names and salaries of men and women on the pay roll of North Carolina, and is calling for the publication of a State "blue book." There are many others like Senator Person, and we vote "aye" on his "blue book' proposition.—Raleigh News and Observer.

Congestion at New York is said to be diverting a large amount of steel shipments to Baltimore. The which but freshly illustrates the importance of providing port facilities to take advantage of commercial opportunities when they come.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

A packing house in Greensboro would pack more than meats. It would pack Guilford county with livestock; it would pack the banks with money placed to the credit of the farmers; it would help pack the stores with country customers with their pockets packed with cash; in short, it would do up a nice little package of prosperity and hand it to us. And Guilford, while it is doing pretty well, thank you, doesn't claim to be overstocked with that brand of goods.—Greensboro News.

Senator Pollock, of Lenoir, supported the Burgwyn amendment to the Turner bill, which sought to perpetuate corporal punishment of convicts. His argument seemed to be that, in all his European travel, he had failed to find a country in which corporal punishment was not inflicted upon prisoners of an "inferior race." We think the senator mistaken even in this inference. The lower classes of Italy, of Austria and of Hungary are certainly as "inferior" in comparison with the upper classes as negroes are in this State below the average of the one generally considered class of white men. But the argument that because a man is a negro, he should be beaten as a dog, is not palatable to white men of this generation; and if it were, the fact that a negro cannot be beaten as a dog without exposing a white man to the same treatment in the brutal democracy of cruelty of a prison camp ought to forbid any white man to prescribe such a medicine—even when he harbors such peculiar notions of the limitations of humanity.—Raleigh Times.

WINS SUIT FOR A. C. L.

Representative Stubbs Wins Fight in $30,000 Action.

(W. T. Bost in Greensboro News).

Raleigh, March 1.—Harry Stubbs, of Martin, read the conclusion of the whole matter in Leggett vs the Coast Line, and Stubbs had won.

His victory came from the Supreme court, which twice had handled this $30,000 suit against the defendant company, which Mr. Stubbs represented. Four times Mr. Stubbs had fought before the Superior court judges and twice before the highest. The non-suit of the feminine plaintiff today ends the case.

The case went up from Martin. First it was tried before Judge Bob Peebles, who non-suited it. Then it went before Judge Geo. W. Connor, who non-suited and again the plaintiffs did not appeal. They waited and started again. Thirdly, it came to Judge Bill Bond and he refused to non-suit on the plaintiff's evidence. After all testimony Judge Bond took it from the jury and he was reversed.

Fourth, it went to Judge Frank Daniels and he knocked it out. The court finds no error in that trial and the action is off the boards for all time.

Mr. Stubbs wrote George B. Elliott tonight. "I have not collected nor tried to collect any fee yet," he said, "but I think I ought to have one big enough now to pay me back for all the money I have thrown away by being in the Legislature."

Funeral of Joseph B. Temple

Kinston, N. C., March 2.—The funeral of Joseph B. Temple, a former mayor of Kinston and treasurer of Lenoir county, who died at his home here Thursday following a long illness from a kidney trouble, was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock. It was largely attended. Interment was in Maplewood cemetery. Mr. Temple was 66 years of age. He was a native of Wake county, but had resided in this section for many years.

Allen's Foot-Ease for the Troops.

Many war zone hospitals have ordered Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder, for use among the troops. Shaken into the shoes and sprinkled in the foot-bath, Allen's Foot-Ease gives rest and comfort, takes the friction from the shoe, and prevents the feet getting tired or foot-sore. Drug ...nd Departm... ...where sell it, 25c. *Don't accept ... Try it to-day.*

DEAF AND DUMB ONLY WHEN PLYING TRADE OF BEGGING

"Beggar" Under Arrest at Hamlet Has Variety of Hardware, Etc.

Hamlet, N. C., March 2.—Chief Braswell, of Hamlet, has under arrest a man giving his name as Clarence Angel, who has been passing as a deaf mute. He had a petition purporting to be signed by Dr. Frank Smith, city hospital, Jacksonville, Fla., and used the petition when begging. He is deaf and dumb only when on a begging tour, and is one of the most talkative of men at other times. In the petition his name is given as James Brown. Among his effects are a new suit case, three new pistols, one a Colt's "38," one a Colt's "32," and one Savage automatic; also among his effects is a physician's pocket surgical case made by Frank S. Betz & Co., with the name in ink of Dr. L. M. Johnson, with the name partially scratched out as to be illegible. From the list of donors on the petition, Angel evidently found an easy living. Chief Braswell is holding the prisoner and is trying to locate the owners of the articles as he is convinced tha tthey have been stolen.

FURTHER COST FIGURES ARE PRESENTED BY PAPER MAKERS

Washington, March 2.—News-print paper manufacturers who want the Federal Trade Commission to fix prices for their products have presented further cost figures to the commission. Jobbers will be heard tomorrow. It is believed the commission will name a price by Saturday.

Publishers are of the opinion that the commission will fix a maximum price of $2.50 or $2.60 a hundred pounds for the International Paper Company's product. There has been no announcement whether the same price will be set for all mills or whether prices will be based on cost of production.

REVIVAL AT WAKE FOREST

Services Conducted by Rev. J. T. Watts Result in 24 Accessions.

Wake Forest, March 2.—With two well attended services yesterday Rev. Joseph T. Watts, of Richmond, Va., closed a series of protracted meetings that have been in progress at the Baptist church for the past ten days. The meetings have been very successful and as a result of Dr. Watts' efforts 24 new members will be received in the church Sunday night by baptism in addition to others by letter.

REV. R. MAYNARD MARSHALL IS RECTOR OF CHAPEL HILL CHURCH

Chapel Hill, N. C., March 2.—Beginning Sunday morning Rev. R. Maynard Marshall, formerly of Charleston, S. C., but more recently of Clemson College, becomes rector of the Episcopal church here. Rev. Mr. Marshall has been highly recommended both for his preaching and his practical work among college students. It was only after a long delay and much reflection and consideration that he decided to give up his work at Clemson for the new field.

Addressed Quill Club

Trinity College, March 2.—Jule B. Warren, of the class of 1908, at present city editor and editorial writer on the Durham Herald, Thursday night gave an address before the regular meeting of the Quill club, an organization of students interested in journalism. His discussion concerned means and methods of news gathering and was heard by a large crowd of students and other members of the community.

New Lumber Mill

Warsaw, N. C., March. 2.—Mr. L. Garrett Smith has a new lumber mill in operation near Faison. Mr. H. D. Hazlett of this place has been assisting in installing the machinery several days this week. The equipment of the mill is up to date in every particular, and as a large tract of timber land near it has been purchased by the owner, the mill will probably continue operations for a number of years.

What to Do for Itching Skins

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Another Thread is Added to German Mesh of Intrigue

Washington, March 2.—Count von Bernstorff, the former German ambassador, was instructed from Berlin to arrange the dismantling of German war-bound ships in American harbors at the same time he received the Zimmerman note for transmission to Mexico.

This added thread to the mesh of German intrigue spun around this country while Germany was still protesting friendship was allowed to become known with the inference that full and detailed instructions were sent Bernstorff from Berlin to make war by this country impossible.

CUNARD LINE CONTRACTS FOR SIX BIG OCEAN-GOING SHIPS

New York, March 2.—Plans to replace with products of American ship yards part of the tonnage lost by the Cunard Line have been revealed by announcement that the company had contracted for construction of six ocean going ships, ranging from 7,500 to 12,000 tons, with subsidiaries of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation.

Two ships are to be built at the Fore River ship yards near Boston, one at Sparrow's Point, near Baltimore, and three at the Union Iron Works in San Francisco.

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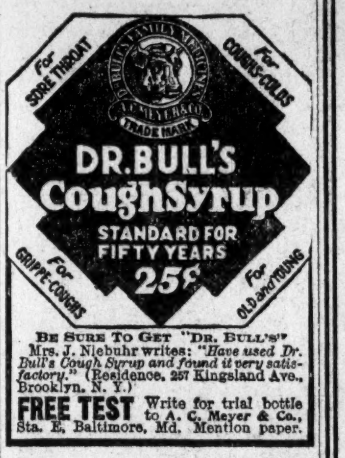

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Commissioners Opposed to Act Appointing Rural Policemen

Opposition to Increasing Salaries by Legislative Measure is Also Opposed—Free Ferry is Discussed by Board.

Senator E. H. Cranmer has been asked by the New Hanover Board of Commissioners to prevent the passage of Representative Grant's bills providing for and appointing rural policemen for this county and also the bill increasing the salaries of the sheriff and deputies in his office. The commissioners take the position that they have authority already to appoint rural policemen whenever they are needed and also to increase the salaries of deputies. However, the salary of the sheriff and also of constables is fixed by statute and is not subject to the Board of Commissioners.

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held yesterday afternoon for the specific purpose of considering these two bills, which had already passed the lower house of the Legislature, and after some discussion, in which it was pointed out that the board had already gone on record as opposed to the rural police act, it was decided by a unanimous vote of all the members of the board, all of whom were present, to send the following telegram to Senator Cranmer:

"Hon. E. H. Cranmer, Senator,
"Senate Chamber,
"Raleigh, N. C.,

"The County Commissioners of New Hanover county at a special meeting held this day have gone on record as being opposed to increasing salaries of officers or their deputies or creating new offices. The present salary bill permits the County Commissioners to provide extra help for all county officers—and increased compensation of present clerks and deputies and the last Legislature gave power to appoint rural policemen and fix their compensation. The County Commissioners are willing to consider these proposals when they are brought before them. The proposed bills will entail additional cost on the county of more than its income will justify. The commissioners urge you to use your best efforts to prevent passage of bills introduced affecting these measures.

"BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS,
"W. A. Williams, Clerk."

Under the provisions of the original bill it was proposed to increase the salary of the sheriff from $3,000 to $3,500, that of Office Deputy Michael Cronly from $100 to $125 a month and that of Deputies A. L. Kelly and J. J. Rackley from $75 to $85 a month. Members of the board stated that no request had ever been made for an increase of the salaries in that office and that they did not know any was desired.

Members of the board felt that they should have been provided with copies of the bills. They had understood that one of the bills provided for two rural policemen and an additional office deputy in the sheriff's office and that the salary of the constable of Wilmington township was to be increased. However, it had been impossible for them to find out about this, members of the board said.

An offer to dispose of all interests in the property of the Brunswick Bridge & Ferry Company for the sum of $20,000, provided it is converted by the county into a free ferry, which is open for 90 days, submitted to the board in a letter from Mr. D. L. Gore, president of the company, was discussed at some length but no action was taken.

Commissioner Yopp reiterated his position that a nominal charge should be made in order to prevent the ferry from being used more than is necessary and stated that he had found generally that the people, especially those in Brunswick and from the rural section, agreed with him. Commissioner MacMillan could see no objection to making a charge of 25 cents for instance for taking an automobile across the river.

Chairman McGirt called attention to a report that a bill had been passed by the Legislature providing for a free ferry across the Cape Fear and read a letter, a copy of which he had sent to Representative Grant, in which he declared that a free ferry is absolutely unthinkable as a business proposition unless the people of the county are prepared to shoulder a large expense for the first costs and an annual expense of from $10,000 to $15,000.

Chairman McGirt made it clear in his letter that he was in favor of improved facilities and that he would like to see something done but did not think the people would stand for an increased tax rate.

Commissioner Hewlett thought that, as all the acts that have been passed and which are still in force provide either for a bridge over the Cape Fear or for a free ferry, it would be necessary to amend them in order to make a charge.

County Attorney Marsden Bellamy thought that there is all the legislative authority that is needed to establish a free ferry but none for putting in one for which a charge is made. As there is a constitutional provision prohibiting local legislation relative to bridges and ferries it would be impossible to pass any act in the Legislature except a State-wide measure. It was decided to take no action until further conferences can be held by the board.

That it has been the practice of the sheriffs of New Hanover county for the last ten or fifteen years to advertise land for sale in order to collect the taxes, have the county bid it in and then charge it off to back taxes, thus accumulating some $30,000 or $40,000 in taxes, which cannot be collected, Chairman McGirt thought that some effort should be made to collect delinquent taxes by levying on personal property first, as the law provides shall be done, and then selling this property to the highest bidders, if the taxes are not paid within ten days.

Without in any way reflecting on [illegible] it was suggested that the board adopt the following resolution and this was done:

Whereas, Sections 2884 and 2887 of the Revisal of 1905 of North Carolina require the sheriff to first exhaust the personal property of a tax payer, if any can be found, before selling the real estate for non-payment of taxes. Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county that the sheriff be notified that it must be shown to the satisfaction of this board that the personal estate of the tax payer has been exhausted before the sheriff will be allowed, in his settlement with the county for 1916 taxes, the amount shown by the certificate of tax sales of real estate of the tax payer."

SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT PLEDGED BY RED CROSS

Eloquent and Inspiring Addresses Mass Meeting Last Night

Speakers Struck Responsive Chord When Patriotism Was Mentioned. Picturesque Touch Added by Children's Tableau.

Patriotic and loyal support to the President and the government of the United States in the proper protection of American rights was pledged by a large mass meeting of men, women and children held at the Academy of Music last evening in the interest of the American Red Cross. Formal resolutions were adopted at the close of the meeting following eloquent and inspiring addresses by representative local citizens.

Striking a responsive chord of patriotism when she closed an eloquent address on the work of the National Special Aid Society with the declaration that the women of Wilmington are ready to do their duty in peace and if war comes to endure it with the same courage, sacrifice and devotion as did the Southern women of the Sixties, Mrs. A. M. Waddell was given a magnificent ovation by the audience, which was a large one in spite of the rather inclement weather.

Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe presided at the meeting and introduced the various speakers. He express regret that Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the Wilmington chapter of the Red Cross Society, was prevented from attending on account of illness. Seated on the platform were the board of managers of the Red Cross Tuberculosis hospital, officers of the Red Cross Society and the National Special Aid Society and the speakers of the evening.

The exercises were opened with a prayer by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure and closed with a benediction by Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt. Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton gave a history of the American Red Cross Society and Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt spoke of the splendid work that is being done by the Red Cross in Wilmington in the prevention of tuberculosis. Dr. John C. Wessell told of the work that has been done by the Red Cross Sanitarium, the history of its founding.

The Red Cross in war and in peace was the theme assigned to Col. Walker Taylor, while Dr. C. L. Pridgen spoke on the Red Cross and the National Guard. Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe made an appeal for new members for the Red Cross.

After speaking briefly on the schools and patriotism, telling of the great interest that the students are manifesting in present day affairs, Supt. John J. Blair stated that as actions would speak louder than words, he preferred to give his time to the children, who would themselves show how patriotism is being taught.

Dressed in quaint costumes of the Colonial days, six students from the Hemenway school presented a tableau showing how the American flag came to be designed. Miss Beattrice Savage represented Betsey Ross, the designer of the flag. The others appearing in this tableau were Miss Margaret Hanna, Miss Josephine Dreher, David Harriss, Clearwood Vaughn and Fred Shepard. The tableau, which was presented with wonderful realism by the children, was closed by the audience rising and singing "America" while a large American flag was held up before them on the stage. While little Miss Onida Capps sang "America" Miss Mary Bellamy Bagg gave a pantomime standing on the stage with the American colors draped about her.

At the close of the exercises Archdeacon Noe read the following resolution which were adopted by the audience standing:

"Whereas, The government and people of the United States are now facing a most solemn moment, with a plunge into the most terrible and destructive war ever known to civilized men seemingly inevitable; and

"Whereas, The President needs the strong oral and material support of all the people, without distinction of race or tradition for the proper protection of our priceless heritage in this land of freedom and peace; and

"Whereas, The American National Red Cross is the arm of the government that provides relief in times of peace, whenever and wherever unusual want or disease menace the nation or parts of the nation and in times of war furnishes comfort and skilful Christian ministration to sick and wounded in camp and on the field of battle, thus helping to mitigate the unspeakable horrors of war; and

"Whereas, Other affiliated organizations, such as the National Special Aid, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, the Needlework Guild of America, etc., etc., have pledged fullest co-operation with the Red Cross in helping to mobilize all the national resources for defense and for the relief of suffering in the crisis which now is impending.

"Therefore, be it Resolved,—That the people of Wilmington, in mass meeting assembled, under the auspices of the Wilmington Red Cross Chapter, pledge their patriotic and loyal support to the President and government of the United States in the proper protection of American liberty and the preservation of our country; and we pledge our support to the Red Cross Society in its efforts to mobilize and co-ordinate all the resources available, by increasing the membership and doing such other service as we may be able to render and as the emergency may require."

Dr. Milton told of the founding of the Red Cross in 1859 and how in 1864 twelve nations first entered into a treaty and of the splendid work done by Clara Barton, who learned of the great work of the Red Cross during the Franco-Prussian war.

The Red Cross Tuberculosis Sanatorium is magnificently conducted, declared Dr. Nesbitt, who explained that the Health Department claims no particular credit for decreasing the death rate.

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WHITE MAN AND NEGRO ARE FINED HEAVILY

Fines of $500 and $250, Respectively, Imposed by Recorder

Convicted of Having Received Stolen Ornaments From Mr. Pembroke Jones' Country Estate—Appeal To Superior Court

H. Stein, white, a Second street junk dealer of this city, and Simon Galloway, colored, were convicted in the Recorder's court yesterday afternoon of receiving ornaments stolen from the New Hanover estate of Mr. Pembroke Jones of New York. Stein was sentenced to pay a fine of $500 and the costs, while Galloway was fined $250 and the costs. Both men served notice of appeal and were released under bond of $200 each.

Nick Lofton, colored, charged with stealing the oraments and selling them to Stein and Galloway was found guilty of larceny and bound over to Superior court in the sum of $250. Mack Moore, colored charged with being implicated in the larceny was acquitted.

The case was one of the hardest fought and longest drawn out legal fights that has been staged in the Recorder's court for some time. It consumed the greater part of the morning session of the court and two hours in the afternoon.

Woodus Kellum, Esq., appeared for Stein and Galloway while George L. Peschau, Esq., Walter P. Gafford, Esq., looked after the interests of Lofton. Former Judge George Rountree, of the law firm of Carr & Rountree, assisted Solicitor Burton in the prosecution. The greater part of the afternoon session was devoted to the argument of counsel.

The bronze ornaments were stolen from Airlie, the country estate of Mr. Pembroke Jones on Wrightsville Sound, some weeks ago. After being removed from Airlie they were brought to Wilmington and sold to Stein and Galloway, who after smashing them up so as to make their packing easy, sold them to a Philadelphia firm and shipped them to the Quaker city.

Local officers working on the case discovered that the goods had been shipped to Philadelphia, and the Northern firm was requested to return them to Wilmington. This was done at once.

O. D. Godwin, a white man who was recently brought back to Wilmington from Darlington, S. C., to answer for an assault with a deadly weapon on Eugene Harris, white about two months ago, was convicted yesterday morning, and sentenced to the county roads for 12 months. He put up a claim of self defense but his assertions were not weighty enough to carry conviction in the opinion of Recorder Harriss.

The assault was alleged to have taken place in the southeastern section of the city when Godwin, who was said to have been drinking, stabbed his companion, who was endeavoring to carry him home. After committing the deed he fled to Darlington, S. C.

When located in the Palmetto State city, he refused to return to North Carolina and Gov. R. I. Manning held up the requisition papers until Godwin could be given a hearing. It developed here however, that there was sufficient cause to have him brought back here, so Governor Manning honored the requisition papers drawn on him by Governor Bickett.

The only other case coming before the Recorder yesterday morning was that of Herbert Bowen, colored, charged with entering the store of a Chinaman on Red Cross street. The State, in this case, took a nol pros with leave.

A REAL PRESENT

Editor Wade Harris is Proud of Capt. J. W. Harper's Remembrance

That Editor Wade Harris, of the Charlotte Observer, who is a frequent visitor to Wilmington and is known to many friends here, is keenly appreciative of a gift recently sent him by Capt. J. W. Harper is indicated by the following from yesterday's Observer:

"Wade H. Harris, editor of the Observer, is in receipt of a gift of notable proportions from his friend, Capt. John W. Harper, of Southport, in the form of eight diamond-back terrapins. The succulent octet of the genus malacclemys arrived Thursday amid a setting of moist seaweed, very much alive and kicking. They are products of a terrapin farm at Southport, one of the few in the Southern states, in which Captain Harper is a stockholder. The diamond-back, always regarded as a delicacy of august proportions, has within the past 10 years soared to incredible heights upon metropolitan menus."

DEATH OF MRS. SWINDELL

Aged Woman Passed at Winter Park Yesterday Morning—Funeral Today

Mrs. Frances Swindell, widow of the late Mr. W. H. Swindell, died at the home of her son, Mr. C. E. Hall, at Winter Park, at 4 o'clock yesterday morning after a long illness. She was 74 years old.

Mrs. Swindell is survived by one son, Mr. C. E. Hall, of Winter Park, and several grand-children, Messrs. James Hall of Hopewell, Va., C. G. Hall, of Raleigh; Mrs. W. J. Lacey and Miss Fanny Hall, of this city, and also by four half sisters, Mrs. W. A. Taylor, Mrs. Frank McGowan, Mrs. W. M. Digor, and Mrs. W. M. Rogers, all of Wrightsville.

She was for many years a member of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church and the funeral services will be conducted from the church at 4 o'clock this afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. J. H. McCracken. Interment will be made in Oakdale cemetery.

THOUSANDS OF TONS OF COTTON ARE DESTROYED

Baltimore, March 2.—Thousands of tons of cotton consigned to Liverpool, was destroyed tonight in a fire in the hold of the British steamship Carolinian of the Garland Line. The vessel would have cleared tomorrow morning. Included i nthe cargo was a large supply of merchandise for the Allies. The capacity of the vessel is 7,000 tons.

Reserve fire apparatus was called out, as were the fire boats. The hold was filled with water, and the vessel settle dto the bottom of her slip beside the Baltimore & Ohio elevator at Locust Point. Firemen cut holes in the sides of the boat with acetylene torches in order to get at the fire.

BALTIMORE TEAM WILL TRAIN IN WILMINGTON

Arrangements Completed for Coming of Internationals

Chamber of Commerce Makes Plans to Underwrite Small Sum Necessary for Venture—Committee Considers Other Matters

The proposition having previously been considered and endorsed by the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, the Advertising Committee of the same organization met yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the rooms of the Chamber and took steps for immediately underwriting the very small amount that will be required this season to cover the cost or securing for this city the baseball game between the Boston Braves and the New York Yankees, of the major baseball leagues, and the two weeks or more training of the Baltimore Internationals, who have selected Wilmington as their training camp, beginning about March 15th.

The matter of having these teams come to Wilmington was taken up solely as to the great advertising value to the city and inasmuch as it was ascertained that only a little more than $200 is necessary to meet all expenses, other expenditures and the use of the grounds already having been taken care of, plans were set on foot at the meeting to immediately secure the necessary amount and it is believed that the amount will be speedily raised. Present at the meeting were Chairman C. Van. Leuven, Messrs. Geo. P. Galvin, Wm. E. Lawson, T. A. Green, J. E. Thompson, of the committee, Mr. W. E. Price, who has largely been responsible for securing the games and training of the Baltimore team for Wilmington, and Secretary H. B. Branch, of the Chamber.

A committee of enterprising and public-spirited Wilmingtonians was named to handle the matter further in co-operation with the Chamber and these will meet Monday for formulating plans for carrying the ideas of the Advertising Committee into execution.

The publication of a city map for the information of strangers was again considered and it was decided to request the Mayor and City Council to have their City Engineering Department to prepare the original of such a map, from which plates will be made and the printing done in convenient folder style for general distribution, the map to show streets, wharves, etc., and the public buildings, etc. It is expected that the city authorities will readily assent to the execution of such a map, after which publication will be made and arrangements for equitable distribution, either at a very nominal cost or free.

Several other matters of no general public interest were considered after which the committee adjourned, subject to call of the chairman.

The most important exhibition game that will be played by the Baltimore team while here will be with the Washington Americans on March 23-24. The Griffmen have agreed to stop over and try conclusions with the big bushers on their way north from their training camp.

REV. M. T. PLYLER GIVEN NEW MODEL AUTOMOBILE

Pastor of Grace Methodist Church Surprised by Presentation

As a gift from members of the congregation, which he has served so faithfully as pastor for more than a year, Rev. M. T. Plyler, pastor of Grace Methodist church, was presented with a new model five-passenger Ford touring car yesterday afternoon, which is to be used by him in his pastoral work. Mr. Plyler had had no intimation that an automobile was to be given him and when a delegation of women appeared at the church parsonage on North Second street yesterday afternoon and asked him to go with them on a short trip, he thought it was for the purpose of making a pastoral visit as the weather was not such as to make it pleasant for an automobile ride.

After they had driven the car around the city, they returned to the parsonage with the car and told Mr. Plyler that it was his to keep as long as he remained in the city. He was greatly surprised and expressed his great appreciation of the gift, assuring the delegation that the car would be used with the greater pleasure because it was given by members of his church.

Those in the delegation which presented the car were: Mrs. Wm. E. Lawson, Mrs. J. B. Sidbury, Mrs. M. H. Shepherd and Mrs. Thos. E. Cooper.

BODY OF CHILD FOUND IN RIVER HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED

Was That of James Dasher, of No. 917 Shutts Alley, Drowned Jan. 30.

The body of the negro boy found by fishermen in the Cape Fear river off Sunset Park Thursday afternoon was identified yesterday morning as that of James E. Dasher, ten-year-old son of Pearl Gilliam, of 917 Shutts alley. The woman stated that the boy fell overboard at the market house wharf on January 30.

It was said yesterday that the woman had reported the incident to the police but investigation at police headquarters on Thursday evening brought the information that the department had no record of a missing boy. Coroner, A. S. Holden found that all circumstances indicated that the boy was accidentally drowned. And did not consider an inquest necessary.

MR. THOMPSON IN CHARGE

Business of Columbia Naval Stores Co. Is Discontinued.

The Columbia Naval Stores Co. has discontinued its Wilmington store and its interests here have been turned over to Mr. Frank A. Thompson, who will continue the business at the old stand, No. 12 Princess street. Mr. Thompson was in charge of the office of the Columbia Company and also has charge of interests across the river.

Mr. Thompson is an experienced naval stores man and has been engaged in this business for many years.

To Drive Out Malaria and Build Up The System

Take the Ol Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS chill TONIC. You know what you are taking as the formula is printed on every label, showing it is Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form. 50c.

DECATUR, Ill., Sunday.—Noah Lundy, a farmer living near Arcola, is moarning the loss of $2,650 in United States currency. Lundy had secreted the bills in a mail order company's catalogue and while away from home his wife burned the book with other waste papers.
—Item from the Evening Telegram.

Guarantee of Safety for money is difficult to find in any part of the dwelling. Fire and theft are constant menaces; even a careless move on the part of an unsuspecting member of the household may result in a financial tragedy. Savings banked with this institution earn interest at 4%; aid in making a more prosperous community; create credit and prestige for their owner.

OLD AND STRONG.

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK
COR. FRONT AND PRINCESS STS.

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To Yourself To Your Family
To Your Friends To Your State
To Your Country

Is to Save Part of Your Earnings Each Month.

Get One of Our Pass Books and Use It Regularly.

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The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company
110 PRINCESS STREET

TO PLAN FOR CONFERENCE

Representatives From Traffic Committee of Various Organizations Will Meet Tonight at U. C. T. Hall

Representatives from the traffic committees of the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Retail Merchants Association, the T. P. A. and the U. C. T. will meet in the hall of the latter organization at 8 o'clock tonight to discuss plans for the holding of a conference in Wilmington similar to the one recently held in Charlotte, to protest against the present passenger service on the Seaboard Air Line railway between Wilmington and Rutherfordton.

It is planned to have representative citizens from each of the towns along the line attend the meeting and to adopt some plan to better the passenger service along the line. Members of the traffic committees of the various organizations feel that Mr. Lake, geneal manager of the Seaboard system, has not kept the promises made at the Charlotte meeting.

At that time Mr. Lake promised the delegates, among other things, that he would not keep the Wilmington train waiting for more than 30 minutes at Monroe and Hamlet for main line connections. This promise, according to members of the local organizations, has been broken repeatedly.

The patrons of the road living in the intermediate towns and villages were strongly in favor of improved service at the Charlotte conference and it is expected that they will rally to the support of the Wilmington meeting with equal enthusiasm.

—The hearing to investigate charges brought by Mr. M. B. Murphy, of No. 515 Market street, against Policeman Leon George, in which the complainant alleges that he was abused by the officer in a public place, will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the city hall. The committee appointed by Council to investigate the complaint is composed of Councilmen J. M. Hall, W. J. Bradshaw and L. M. Bunting.

For the invalid as well as those in perfect health
Baker's Cocoa
is an ideal food beverage, pure, delicious and wholesome.
Walter Baker & Co. Ltd.
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Even though the streets were wet and the clouds looked like more rain any minute, hundreds of thrifty shoppers came in for our week-end specials—and they were well paid for their coming. You come today.

CLOTHING SPECIALS.
Boys' Double Breasted and Norfolk Cassimers Suits, 13 to 18 ear sizes, $3.50 to $5.00 values @ ... $2.95
Men's $1.50 Gray Cassimere Work Pants @ ... 98c
Men's $1.50 Tan Khaki Work Pants @ ... 98c
Men's Best Grade Work Shirts, all colors @ ... 49c

DRESS GOODS AND HOUSE FURNISHINGS.
25c Fancy White Goods, 36 to 40 inches wide @ 19c
40-inch Voile and Organdy Remnants, 1 to 5 yards in piece @ ... 10c
Yard wide Black Taffeta Silk, $1.00 value @ ... 79c
10-4 Union Linen Sheeting, full 90-in. wide @ ... 79c
10-4 Unbleached Sheeting, full 90-in. wide @ ... 29c
Yard wide Unbleached Sea Island Sheeting @ ... 9½c
Yard wide White Cambric Muslin @ ... 9½c
15c white Border Huck Towels, 18x40 @ ... 10c
$1.50 Lace Bed Spreads, double bed size @ ... 98c
18c Lace striped Curtain Marquisette @ ... 13½c
$1.50 Velvet Rugs, 27x54 @ ... 98c

READY-TO-WEAR SPECIALS.
Children's Middy Dresses, white and colored, 2 to 6 year sizes @ ... 25c
Children's Middy Blouses, white with short collar and cuffs, 6, 8 and 10 sizes @ ... 25c
25c Lace Trimmed Corset Covers, all sizes @ ... 25c
$1.25 and $1.50 Percale and Gingham House Dresses @ ... 98c

NOTIONS AND FANCY GOODS.
Belk's Special Floating Bath Soap, cake ... 1c
Sweet Maiden Toilet Soap, cake ... 3c
Airfloat round can Talcum Powder ... 4c
Royal Safety Pins, assorted sizes, 2 doz for ... 5c
12-yard Bunch Bias Tape, cambric ... 5c
$1.25 Ladies' Black Rain Proof Umbrellas ... 98c
J. & P. Coats Mercerized Crochet Cotton, all sizes @ ... 9c
39c Stamped Linen Centers 18x18-in. @ ... 25c
75c Stamped Pillow Cases, 42x36-in. @ ... 59c
10c Ocean Pearl Dress Buttons @ ... 5c

MILLINERY SPECIAL.
Ladies' Tailored Street Hats, small shapes in all the late spring colors, trimmed with narrow Grosgrain ribbons @ ... $1.98

TWO SPECIALS FROM SHOE DEPARTMENT
Ladies' Black Vici and Patent Leather Shoes, button or lace, only a few pairs of a kind, values up to $3.00, Friday and Saturday's price ... $1.69
Ladies' 85c Felt Bed Room Slippers, assorted colors ... 69c

MUNSING UNDERWEAR SPECIALS.
Ladies' 75c Gauze weight Munsing Union Suits @ ... 49c
Ladies' $1.00 Gauze weight Munsing Union Suits @ ... 79c
Ladies' $1.25 Gauze weight Munsing Union Suits @ ... 98c

Belk-Williams Company

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. S. A. Schloss and S. A. Schloss, Jr., have returned from a week's visit to the western part of the State.

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The Physical Education committee of the Y. W. C. A. will meet in the association building at 11 o'clock this morning.

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Lumberton Robesonian, Thursday: "Mrs. Clare Thomas and daughter, little Miss Frances, are spending the day in Wilmington."

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Old members of the Red Cross Society are urged to renew their membership today, which will close the membership campaign.

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The many friends of Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, will be glad to know that she has been able to return to her home from the James Walker Memorial hospital and is now well on the road to recovery.

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The house committee of the Y. W. C. A. requests that all persons who take boarders or who take girls for roomers send their address to the Y. W. C. A. It is the desire of the association to have a complete record of all boarding houses in the city, so that girls who apply for accommodations at the association and cannot be taken in, can be directed to a reliable place. Any co-operation on the part of boarding house keepers will be deeply appreciated by the association.

SOROSIS PHOTO EXHIBIT WILL BE OPEN TODAY

The photographic exhibit being conducted by Mr. A. O. Clement, of Goldsboro, under the auspices of North Carolina Sorosis in their club rooms on North Third street, will be open to the public today between the hours of 10:30 a. m. and 6 p. m.

Mr. Clement, who is proprietor of the Clement Studio at Goldsboro, is a son of Mr. S. W. Clement, a former well known educator of Pender and Duplin counties. He is an expert in his particular line and the samples of his handiwork that are now on exhibition at the Sorosis club rooms are works of his class.

The reproductions from old dageurreotypes and the colored paintings enlarged from photographs are especially fine.

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CLUBS OF BOY'S DIVISION ENTERTAIN LADY FRIENDS

Members of the High school and Intermediate Clubs of the Boy's Division of the Y. M. C. A. entertained a number of their girl friends at the association building last evening. Mr. C. Walton Johnson, Miss Wilma Ek and Mr. Newsome were chaperones for the party which was a most enjoyable one. One of the most pleasant features was a penny contest in which the prize, a handsome box of candy, was won by Miss Lela Ward Koonce. The party was favored with several musical selection by a sextette, led by Mark Noble.

The guests present at the delightful affair were: Armistead Mercer and Jessie Mercer; William Powell and Emilie Bissenger; Harry Tucker and Mabel Eure; Rufus LeGrand and Maud Bissenger; Howard Penton and Miriam Koch; Graham Farmer and Alice Bell Rulfs; Neveland Brand and Olivia Wallace; William Smith and Omah Williams; Charlton Symmes and Elizabeth McClure; Lenox Cooper and Lila Ward Koonce; Howard Greene and Marie Morrison.

DEATH OF MISS WALKER

Wilmington Woman Died in Petersburg, Va., Yesterday Afternoon.

News was received in Wilmington last night of the death of Miss Katie Walker, of this city, which occurred in Petersburg, Va., at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Miss Walker has been visiting in Petersburg with her sister, Mrs. Avery. While she had been in poor health for some time, her death comes as a great shock to her many friends.

The remains will be brought to Wilmington today and funeral arrangements will be announced later. Miss Walker was 21 years of age, and is survived by three brothers, Messrs. Tom Walker, Harry Walker and Charles Walker, and two sisters, Miss Mamie Walker, of this city, and Mrs. Avery, of Petersburg.

She was a member of the Sixth Street Advent church.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Fred Bear has returned from a trip to the east coast of Florida.

—Mr. J. L. Baldwin, who has for the past year been employed with the Cape Fear Oil Company as cashier, has taken a position with Samuel Bear, Sr. & Sons.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: N. N. Royal, Rocky Mount; W. B. Brice, Wallace; J. W. McIntosh, Greensboro; G. S. Williams, Farmville; W. A. Wylie, Jr., Charlotte.

—Henry Heyer, Esq., has returned from a trip to New Orleans. He expresses himself as greatly impressed with conditions there, and is of the opinion that the South is on the eve of a great wave of prosperity.

Lumberton Robesonian: "Messrs. A. R. McEachern and G. T. Fisher, of St. Paul, passed through town Tuesday evening en route home from Wilmington, where they spent some time on business."

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were C. S. Clark, Clarkton; S. G. Wooten, Clarkton; C. C. Jordan, Mt. Airy; E. M. Nance, Fair Bluff; G. A. Fisher, Salisbury; G. T. Morgan, East Arcadia; M. W. Nash, Hamlet; J. C McDiarmid, Fayetteville; F. B. Gault, Lake Waccamaw.

LOCAL DOTS

—Students and recent graduates of the University of North Carolina were deeply grieved yesterday to learn of the death of Mr. George McNider, of the class of 1914, which occurred in Atlanta a few days ago. Mr. McNider married Miss Louise Lamar, who is well known in Wilmington.

Signs Flood Control Bill

Washington, March 1.—President Wilson signed the flood control bill late today in the presence of Senator Ransdell, of Louisiana, and a group of members of Congress from Southern states. "It is a necessary piece of legislation," he said as he affixed his signature.

MANY RECRUITS YESTERDAY

Red Cross Society Gathered Many Into the Fold Yesterday in Spite of Weather—Closes Today.

Though the weather man refused to enter into an alliance with them and the pedestrians were loathe to pause in the chilling mists, the Red Cross Society continued its spring drive for additional members yesterday with great success. The army bugler again stirred the calm atmosphere of North Front street with martial airs on his bugle while the recruiting officers waited on all comers. The campaign will continue through today.

Mrs. Hugh MacRae, Mrs. J. T. King and Mrs. W. L. Parsley were in charge of the tents yesterday while Misses Virginia Milton, Athalia Bunting, Ethel Solomon and Alice Walker, in the garb of Red Cross nurses, solicited recruits.

The following members were enrolled yesterday:

Mr. William Peck, Jr., Robert W. Montgomery, Mrs. Robert W. Montgomery, Robert Montgomery, Jr., J. Holmes Davis, J. Holmes Davis, Jr., T. L. Hubbard, Jr., J. T. King, Mrs. S. P. Collier, Mrs. J. W. Perrin, J T Thomas, Mrs J. T. Thomas, Charles Myers, J. L. Williams, two men from New York; Dr. W. J. Love, Aubrey Parsley, Jr., Miss Virginia Lee Milton, Mrs. Frank Farrow, Masonboro; Miss Elizabeth Parsley, G. G. Mills, J. Haughton James, Mrs. Sarah Perry, Belvidere, N. J.; J. W. Little, William Atkinson, Jr., Calder Atkinson, R. W. Cantwell, Cyrus Hogue, Esq., F. S. Burr, M. F. Allen, Mrs. Jos. W Hooper, Wesley Dickson, Mrs. J. L. W. Bast, Miss Ahatlia Bunting, Mrs. Davis O. Ives, Dr. Charles Green, Miss Vera M. Furlong, Dr. H. A. Codington, Miss Elcador Shanahan, Miss H. Shanahan, E. J. Brown, Thomas Payne, Mrs. F. O. Tearsall, H. H. Webber, Louis Poisson, Esq., Mrs. Fred Burr, Thomas Willard, Miss Caroline G. Meares, Mrs. E. R. Clark, R. E. Brown, Esther Gouverneur, F. H. Royster, F. B. Gault, Charles Gault, T. G. Tabb, Miss Betty Lidford Sparkes, Mrs. Hattie Midgett, Mrs. A. C. Howell, Mrs. Frank D. Young, Clarence LeGrande, Mrs. J. Va Grainger, Jr.

Mr. John Hazelhurst, S. B. Ives, R. A. King L. T. Moore, G. H. Heptinstall Mrs. Thos. Wood, Earl Dickinson, Mrs. Philys Delano, George Elliott, Mrs. J. O. Carr, E. David, Mrs. S. Martin Willard, Robert Scott, Channye Davis, W. H. Marshall, I. J. Tillery, J. B. Dickinson, Willie Brown, E. D. Williams, John D. Bellamy, Jr., Alex Sprunt, J. G. Rose, Guy Cardwell, A. T. Riggin, S Sterling, H. C. Marshall, R. Tapp, E. M. Kennickell, E. M Hardin, W. G. Furlong, William K. Walker, B. B. Cavenaugh, Geo. L. Mitchell, B. Solomon, S. Solomon, Miss Marguerite Solomon, Miss Ethel Solomon, B. Sunofsky, Miss Mary Bellamy, W. Miller, Dr. A. M. Baldwin, Milton Calder, P. A. Wilcox, H. G. Hubbard, P. L. Easetrling, Eustace Norfleet, Mrs. John Blomme, B. Dunn, L. H. Fechtig, Mrs. L. H. Fechtig Mrs. C. Van Leuven, Mrs. F. D. Lineker, Miss Mary B. Brown, Miss Anne J Hart, E. W. Woolard, F. P. Lamb, Mrs. F. P Lamb, Miss Meta Muller, Mrs. Adelbert Ahrens, Miss Mary Vann, L. W. Page, N. S. Haskett, C. H. Buttleman, H. L. Darden, J H. Moore, Miss Eliza Murphy, Herbert Ord, Mrs. M. T. Mc Leod, George Rountree, L. J Baars, Mrs. Paul Cantwell, E. C. Holt, D. W. Gross, Ashley St. Amand, Mrs. I. T. St. Amand.

FUNERAL OF MR. T. G. LANDEN

Body Laid Away in Bellevue in Midst of Many Floral Tributes

Funeral services over the remains of Mr. T. G. Landen, who died suddenly at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. A. Landen, at Chinquapin, in Duplin county, Thursday morning, were conducted from Fifth Avenue Methodist church at 11 o'clock yesterday morning by Rev. J. H. McCracken, pastor of the church.

Interment was made at Bellevue cemetery in the midst of a perfect wilderness of flowers and in the presence of a large concourse of relatives and friends. The beautiful and impressive Odd Fellows burial service was used. The stewards of Fifth Avenue Church, of which Mr. Landen was a member and also a member of the board, marched in a body from the late residence to the church and from the church to the cemetery.

The following served as pallbearers: Honorary, Messrs. M. W. Jacobi, John H. Littleton, N. L. Balance and Col. Walker Taylor. Active, Messrs. Roy Bergus, R. A. Montgomery, W. H. Rochelle, S. D. Craig, W. H. Schaeffer and and John T. Hawkins.

WILL INCLUDE NEW HANOVER

Senator Cranmer Will See That Statute Providing for Federal Aid Applies to This County

Responding to a telegram asking for particulars as to a bill drawn originally for Wake and Guilford counties, enabling them to share in Federal good roads appropriation annually for the next five years, Senator E. H. Cranmer wired Chairman W. A. McGirt, of the New Hanover board of Commissioners, that he would include this county in the bill.

Chairman McGirt wired both Senator Cranmer and Representative Grant for particulars of the bill which had been introduced and asking them if it did not conflict with present road laws to include New Hanover. Senator Cranmer replied that the bill had received favorable report from the public roads committee and was endorsed by the State Highway Commission.

"Will include New Hanover in the bill. There will be no conflict," the Senator stated in his telegram. Full particulars of the bill have not been received here but Senator Cranmer is forwarding a copy to Chairman McGirt, which he should receive today.

TO GET PAY ROLL FIGURES

Chamber of Commerce to Collect Interesting Statistics—Figures Compiled by Bureau of Census.

Direct appeal to local business firms will be made in an effort to approximate the annual pay roll of the city with some degree of accuracy by the Wilmington Chamber of Comemrce, according to the March number of the Comercial Bulletin, the monthly organ of the chamber, which was sent to members yesterday. At the same time it is proposed to ascertain the number of employes and to classify these as nearly as possible according to the business in which they are engaged.

The Chamber has constant inquiries for this information, and it has been impossible to furnish an approximation that could be substantiated. It is believed that these figures will make a good showing for Wilmington.

It is planned to mail out a return postal card with the following request:

"In order that the Chamber of Commerce might have available information to answer constant inquiries in regard to Wilmington's annual payroll, we would like to ask you to assist us in this work by furnishing information for your firm on the attached card. No names will be used, and only the totals will be made public. You have been given a number which corresponds with the firm name in our office. The committee thought there would be no difficulty in securing the information from Wilmington firms to prepare this data. It is especially important at this time, and we will appreciate a reply by return mail."

In this connection it is interesting to note, says the Bulletin in an instructive resume, the statistical information issued by the Bureau of the Census in regard to manufacturing in South Atlantic coast cities, covering a period of five years from 1909 to 1914. In regard to the salaries and wages paid by manufacturing industries in 1914, as compared with 1909, Wilmington shows an increase of 84 per cent. of this period as compared with five other Atlantic coast cities as follows: Charleston, 19.1 per cent; Savannah, 14.4 per cent.; Jacksonville, 58.6 per cent.; Norfolk, 26.8 per cent., and Tampa, 7.8 per cent. The salaries and wages for Wilmington in 1914 amounted to $1,091,000; and 1909, $593,000; the increase being $498,000. The increase in the average number of wage earners for Wilmington in the same five-year period was 42.9 per cent., as compared with the same cities as follows: Savannah, 14.4 per cent.; Charleston, 4.7 per cent.; Jacksonville, 43.6 per cent.; Norfolk, 24.2 per cent., and Tampa, 7.2 per cent. The figures for Wilmington in 1914 was 1,733 wage earners engaged in manufacturing, as compared with 1,213 for 1909, the increase being 520. The increase or decrease in the number of establishment shows that Wilmington gained seven additional plants, making a total of 71 in the five-year period; Norfolk lost four industries, the comparative figures being 215 in 1909, and 211 in 1914; Jacksonville gained some 60 establishments, making a total of 174; Charleston gained four industries, making a total of 120; Savannah lost six industries, showing by comparison 135 in 1909, and 129 in 1914; Tampa gained 19 industries, making a total of 202. The marked gain in Florida cities is due to the extensive development of lumber interests in that state in recent years.

The following is taken from information issued from the Bureau of the Census in regard to this city: "The statistics represent the establishments located within the corporate limits. The summary shows an increase in the census of 1914 as compared with that in 1909.

"In the order of their importance, from a percentage standpoint, the increases for the several items rank as follows: Salaries, 90.2 per cent.; capital, 82.9 per cent.; wages, 82.3 per cent.; materials, 67.4 per cent.; value of products, 67.2 per cent.; value added by manufacture, 67 per cent.; salaried officers, 63.6 per cent.; persons engaged in manufacture, 43.4 per cent.; wage earners (average number), 42.9 per cent."

YOPP PROPERTY IS SOLD

Lot on South Front Street Brought $8,150 At Auction.

The W. H. Yopp property on South Front street was sold at autcion by the United Realty Co., yesterday morning and was bought by Mr. John R. Hanby and Messrs. Dlugin Bros., for $8,150. The sale was made subject to confirmation by Mr. Yopp, who is considering confirming it. The lot is 36x90 feet in size.

The company conducted another auction sale yesterday afternoon at Carolina Court Addition, where 13 lots were sold ranging in price from $280 to $675. Among the purchasers of these lots were Messrs. Kinsey Hobbs, T. J. Sutton, W. A. Fonvielle, J. H. Blake, W. H. Sneeden, L. W. Davis, J. C. Wagner, Sam Seigler, Jr., and Ran Roberts.

There was quite a large crowd at the sale yesterday afternoon in spite of the inclement weather. The auctioneer was Mr W. H. Matthws, of the United Realty Company, and the arrangements for the sale were made by Mr. O. T. Wallace.

SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT PLEDGED BY RED CROSS

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from this disease in this community but that it belongs by right to the Red Cross Society.

Archdeacon Noe, in introducing Dr. J. C. Wessell, spoke of the splendid work that the latter is doing in giving medical attention to the patients at the sanitarium, which service is given free of charge, and to Dr. R. B. Slocum, who gives his services free of charge in managing the financial affairs of the institution. Dr. Wessell gave a comprehensive history of the work at the tuberculosis sanitarium.

"My country, may she ever be right; but right or wron, my country," quoted by Colonel Taylor in his address, was greeted with tremendous applause. He paid a tribute to President Wilson. Mrs. Waddell followed Colonel Taylor and gave a very comprehensive resume of the National Special Aid Society.

Dr. Pridgen closed the addresses of the evening with a beautiful tribute to the Red Cross and to Woodrow Wilson. Archdeacon Noe reported that the Wilmington Red Cross Society now has 700 members.

Members of the Boy Scouts acted as ushers at the meeting while several young women, dressed in Red Cross nurse costumes, enrolled many new members for the Red Cross.

MUCH FERTILIZER MOVING

Both Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard Have Been Able to Take Care of Demands—Now at Crest

Owing to the earlier movement this year and the heavier loading of the cars, it has been possible for both the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air Line to take care of the fertilizer movement out of Wilmington in a satisfactory manner, though railroad officials are frank to admit that it has not been an easy task. There are now moving out of Wilmington daily about 200 cars of fertilizers.

As the average freight train carries from 30 to 35 cars, this makes an average a half dozen or more solid trains each day that move out with fertilizers alone, to say nothing of the other freight that has to be moved. While the car situation is far from being satisfactory, Southern roads have not suffered as badly as those of the North, owing to the fact that there has not been so much congestion on account of the failure of American ships to continue trans-Atlantic shipments since the submarine blockade became effective.

The heaviest fertilizer movement in this section is usually from February 15th to March 15th, with the crest of the movement coming about March 1st. However, the movement of fertilizers this spring has been earlier than usual as dealers realized that on account of the general scarcity of materials they would have to place their orders early and for the further reason that a systematic publicity campaign was started during the winter to encourage early shipments in order to prevent, as far as possible, a freight congestion.

Shippers have been urged by the railroads to load the cars to full capacity this year in order to get the best service out of the fewest cars, and this has helped very materially. It is estimated that the average shipment in cars this year has been 20 tons as compared with 16 tons last year. On this basis of 100 cars a day this would make a difference of 400 tons or 800,000 pounds. This would make a very material difference even for one day's shipment.

Local railroad officials do not expect any difficulty in handling the fertilizer movement, as they have already gone through the heaviest siege. Representatives of the Atlantic Coast Line, the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern have made reports to the car service commission of the American Railway Association at Washington that the needs of Southern fertilizer interests will be met and a threatened tie-up of the industry.

It is still necessary to to have the close co-operation of shippers to be able to take care of the situation, railroad officials state, but no difficulty is expected in the future.

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SCOUTS TO OBSERVE TAG DAY

Youngsters Will be Stationed on All Principal Corners During the Day.

The bright-faced cheerful youngsters who compose the Boy Scout troops of Wilmington will today accost all pedestrians on the busier corners of the streets in the observance of their tag day, which is being held to assist in raising the $500 Scout budget recently approved by the Scout council.

The Scout movement is growing rapidly in Wilmington, and the strides made by the organization during the last year alone are well worth the aid and co-operation of the public. They need the money to carry on their work, and as the future men of America it is due them that they get the right kind of support.

Scouts will be stationed today on all the principal down town corners and streets. Another tag day will be observed at the beach on July 4.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

RAPID ADVANCE IN COTTON

Reports of Demand for Spots and Covering of Later Months Cause Rise of 27 to 50 Points.

New York, March 2.—There was a rapid and excited advance in the cotton market, led by old crop months on reports of a continued demand for spots from the local stock and urgent covering of both spring and summer positions. May contracts sold up to 17.27 or 56 points above last night's close, and closed at 17.21, with the general list closing steady at a net advance of 27 to 50 points.

The opening was quiet and first prices were 1 to 11 points lower. Scattered offerings of old crop positions were soon absorbed by the buying of spot house brokers, and the market advanced. This carried prices out of line with Liverpool and after showing a gain of about 40 points, the market reacted during the middle of the morning. The demand continued and greater strength developed uring the afternoon with the old crop demands becoming atics. March sold up to 17.37 and July to 17.22 or 52 to 57 points higher, the new crop sold about 33 to 34 points above last night's closing.

Last prices were a few points off from the best under realizing. Business was not considered general, but Liverpool, Southern spot houses and local traders were buyers. No change was reported in the Southern spot situation or in ocean shipping conditions.

	Open	High	Low	Close
March	16.75	17.37	16.75	17.32
May	16.62	17.28	16.60	17.20
July	16.55	17.22	16.56	17.14
Oct.	15.91	16.30	15.90	16.21
Dec.	16.03	16.40	16.02	16.35

Spot cotton, steady; middling 17.45.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 16.75; receipts 2,661; exports 15.064; sales 3,475; stock 421,346.

Galveston—Holiday; receipts 2,153; exports 1,025; stock 276,258.

Mobile—Middling 16.75; receipts 45; sales 25; stock 8,823.

Savannah—Middling 18.50; receipts 424; sales 139; stock 149,094.

Charleston—Receipts 50; stock 43,841.

Wilmington—Receipts 30; stock 51,405.

Norfolk—Middling 17.50; receipts 565; sales 102; stock 103,385.

Baltimore—Stock 19,536.

Boston—Middling 17.00; receipts 316; stock 13,022.

Philadelphia—Middling 17.70; stock 1,407.

New York—Middling 17.45; sales 750; stock 154,401.

Minor Ports—Receipts 3,256; stock 53,780.

Atlanta (weekly)—Stock 73,138.

Total today—Receipts 9,500; exports 16,088; stock 1,296,300.

Total for week—Receipts 71,574; exports 74,778.

Total for season—Receipts 5,910,163; exports 4,089,148.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Holiday; receipts 2,023; shipments 3,062; stock 152,328.

Memphis—Middling 17.00; receipts 1,976; shipments 1,675; sales 1,350; stock 856,660.

Augusta—Middling 17.50; receipts 1,064; shipments 2,086; sales 233; stock 118,621.

St. Louis—Receipts 2,019; shipments 2,786; stock 36,995.

Cincinnati—Stock 22,810.

Little Rock—Middling 16.88; receipts 39; shipments 2; sales 2; stock 37,235.

Dallas—Middling 17.00; sales 368.

Montgomery—Middling 17.50; sales 54

Total today—Receipts 7121; shipments 9,609; stock 724,649.

HESTER'S WEEKLY STATEMENT.

Comparisons are to actual dates, not to close of corresponding weeks. In thousands bales:

In sight for week, 130.

In sight same seven days last year, 260.

In sight for the month, 30.

In sight same date last year, 40.

In sight for season, 10,836.

In sight same date last year, 10,065.

Port receipts for season, 5,910.

Port receipts same date last year, 5,728.

Overland to mills and Canada for season, 1,024.

Overland same date last year, 898.

Southern mill takings for season, 3,230.

Southern mill takings same date last year, 2,804.

Interior stocks in excess of August 1st, 672.

Interior stocks last year, 635.

Foreign exports for week, 75.

Foreign exports same seven days last year, 214.

Foreign exports for season, 4,089.

Foreign exports same date last year, 3,551.

Northern spinners' takings and Canada for week, 23.

Northern spinners' takings same seven days last year, 61.

Northern spinners' takings for season, 1,930.

Northern spinners takings to same date last year, 2,168.

Statement of World's Visible Supply.

Total visible this week, 4,807.

Total visible last week, 4,883.

Total visible same date last year, 5,747.

Of this the total American this week, 3,756.

Total American last week, 3,818.

Total American last year, 4,177.

All other kinds this week, 1,050.

All other kinds last week, 1,065.

All other kinds last year, 1,569.

Visible in the United States this week, 2,289.

Visible in the United States this date last year, 2,561.

Visible in other countries this week, 2,518.

Visible in other countries this date last year, 3,186.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, March 2.—Spot cotton in fair demand and steady; good middling 1.36; [illegible] middling 1.30; sales 8,000 bales, [illegible] for speculation and export, [illegible] 8,000 bales.

Futures steady. March 1.09; March and April [illegible], April and May 10.97; May and June 10.96; June and July 10.87; July and August 10.78; August and September 10.32; September and October [illegible]; October and November [illegible]; November and December 9.94; December and January 9.[illegible]; January and February [illegible]; February and March [illegible]; March and April 9.86.

WEEKLY COTTON REVIEW

Strength of Old Crop Months the Feature During the Week—Sharp Advances in Prices.

New York, March 2.—The feature in the cotton market during the past week has been the strength of old crop months. General sentiment has been nervous and unsettled and trading has not been active. Toward the end of the week, buying of near months has been excited, and prices have had sharp advances. The situation in this respect is supposed to have reflected continued firmness of remaining spot holders in the South, combined with the development of a moderate trade demand after a period of drastic liquidation which had carried contracts below a parity with the interior markets. The small number of notices issued against March deliveries toward the end of last week, started the covering movement which became increasingly active on this week's advances. The main factor has been covering of hedges against sales of spots, and buying by shorts.

May contracts sold up to 17.27 or $23.85 per bale above the lowest point touched on the big break of February 1, and closed tonight at 17.21 compared with 16.21, the close of the previous Friday.

General business has been restricted, pending more settled international conditions.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, Georgetown, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Santa Rosalia, 3,488 tons, Jones, Heide & Co.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,285 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, March 2.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—$2.75-12½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $1.70-8c; crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	(—)
Tar	110
Crude Turpentne	(—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 10 casks; rosin, 54 barrels; tar, 173 barrels; crude turpentine, 49 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal; same day last year 11½c.

Receipts—27 bales; same day last year, 188 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date 77,910 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 149,774 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

March 2, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—27 bales cotton; 110 barrels tar.

Total—27 bales cotton; 110 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, March 2.)

SWEET POTATOES — Yams, 75c. to 85c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—10c to 12c per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 13c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders ,15c. to 16c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 20c. on foot; dressed, 25c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, March 2.—North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., March 2.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market firm, $1.60 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4¼c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling stock, 3¼ to 3½c. per lb.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET

New York, March 2.—Mercantile paper 4 to 4¼. Sterling, 60 day bills 4.71; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.71; commercial 60 day bills 4.70¾; demand 4.74¾; cables 4.76 7-16. Bar silver 76½. Government bonds heavy. Railroad bonds irregular. Time loans firm; 60 and 90 days 3¾ to 4; six months 4¼ to 4½. Call money steady; ruling rate 2¼.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, March 2.—Hogs strong, 15 to 20 above yesterday's average; bulk 13.35 to 13.55; light 12.70 to 13.50; heavy 13.10 to 13.55; rough 13.10 to 13.25; pigs 10.00 to 12.00.

Cattle—Steady; native beef cattle 8.00 to 12.00; stockers 6.40 to 9.25; [illegible] and heifers 5.30 to 10.30; calves 8.0[illegible]

Sheep—Steady; wethers 10.7[illegible] ewes 8.50 to 12.00; lambs 12.0[illegible]

STOCKS SHOW IMPROVEMENT

Market Takes on Fresh Courage—Railway Issues the Only Disappointing Feature.

New York, March 2.—The stock market took fresh courage today. The trading was moderate in comparison with the activity of recent months, but embraced a wide variety of issues.

Rails were the only disappointing feature, their continued backwardness, aside from an inquiry for coalers and New York Central, being accompanied by January statements of earnings.

Bethlehem Steel shares and the rights to the new stock regained a considerable part of their recent losses, the old stock making a gross gain of 7 points to 127, four for the new at 107 1-2 and 3 3-4 for the rights at 7 1-2. The recovery was in part ascribed to semi-official statements to the effect that the controlling interests intend to take up their allotments of the new stock.

United States Steel again led the entire list at an extreme advance of 2 1-2 to 106 7-8 attaining its best quotation in the last hour on steady accumulation of large lots. Other steel and iron shares were higher by 2 to 4 points.

Copper and zinc stocks, Central Leather, American Woolen, motors, Industrial Alcohol and other issues representing interests manufacturing war supplies were lifted 2 to 4 points, with 7 for the Texas Company.

Shippings and equipments, notably Mercantile Marines, Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies, American and Baldwin Locomotive and American Can were from 2 to 4 points higher with those utilities comprising the gas shares. Heaviness was shown by Lorillard Tobacco common, and preferred at losses of 20 and 5 points respectively with 4 points for National Biscuit.

The bond market was uneven.

Total sales, par value, $2,195,000.

United States coupon 3's and Panama registered 3's declined 3-4 and 1-4 per cent. on call.

NEW YORK STOCCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	25⅛
American Beet Sugar	88¾
American Can	42½
American Car & Foundry	65¼
American Cotton Oil	44
American Locomotive	69⅞
American Smelting	97⅞
American Sugar	110
American Tel. & Tel.	125
American Tobacco	208
American Zinc	36½
Anaconda Copper	81
Atchison	102⅜
Atlantic Coast Line	111⅝
Baldwin Locomotive	52½
Baltimore & Ohio	74⅞
Bethlehem Steel	125
Canadian Pacific	151¾
Central Leather	88
Chesapeake & Ohio	58
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	80¾
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	27⅜
Colorado Fuel & Iron	45¾
Consolidated Gas	121½
Corn Products	21¼
Crucible Steel	65
Cuba Cane Sugar	40½
Erie	25¾
General Electric	163
Great Northern pfd	113
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	32⅛
Goodrich	55
Illinois Central	100½
Inspiration Copper	57¼
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	72
International Nickel	41⅛
International Paper	33½
Kansas City Southern	21
Lehigh Valley	71¼
Kennecott Copper	45½
Louisville & Nashville	124¾
Liggett & Myers	250
Lorillard Co.	200
Maxwell Motors	54
Mexican Petroleum	86
National Lead	56½
New York Central	94
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	43½
Norfolk & Western	126⅝
Northern Pacific	103¼
Pennsylvania	54⅝
Ray Consolidated Copper	27¾
Reading	92¾
Republic Iron & Steel	77½
Seaboard Air Line	14½
Seaboard Air Line pfd	32¼
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	60
Studebaker Corporation	100⅜
Southern Pacific	92¼
Southern Railway	27½
Southern Railway pfd	57½
Tennessee Copper	14½
Texas Company	225
Union Pacific	134½
United Fruit	140
United States Rubber	54
United States Steel	106½
United States Steel pfd	117¼
Utah Copper	111¾
Virginia Caro. Chem.	38½
Wabash pfd "B"	24½
Western Union	92⅞
Westinghouse Electric	49⅝
Missouri Pacific, w.i.	29⅜

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, March 2.—Cotton seed oil was active today with prices making new high records for the season. Buying orders came from all directions, the bullish incentive being the sharp rise in practically all commodity markets. Realizing sales caused a slight recession near the close, but final prices were still 19 to 30 points net higher. Tenders 2,500 barrels; sales 39,300 barrels.

Close—Firm. Spot 13.10 bid; March 13.12 to 13.13; April 13.09 to 13.13; May 13.13 to 13.14; June 13.10 to 13.17; July 13.13 to 13.14; August 13.14 to 13.16; September 13.15 to 13.20; October 12.65 to 12.75.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, March 2.—Beeves, barely steady; steers 8.00 to 10.75; bulls 5.75 to 9.25; cows 3.75 to 7.75.

Calves—Firm; veals 10.00 to 14.50; culls 8.00 to 9.50; fed calves 6.00 to 8.50; yearlings 5.00 to 5.75.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady; sheep 6.25 common to prime lambs 12.15; culls 12.00.

Hogs—No trading.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, March 2.—Turpentine, dull, 48½c; sales none; receipts 80; shipments 223; stock 13,453.

Rosin—Firm; sales 174; receipts 230; shipments 187; stock 78,769. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 6.00; H, I, 6.00 to 6.20; K, M, 6.20; N, 6.35; WG, 6.40 to 6.45; WW, 6.70.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

March 3, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 42 degrees; at 8 P. M., 48 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 41 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .65 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .72 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 11.3 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Rain Saturday and probably Sunday; little change in temperature.

The Port Calendar, March 3, 1917.

Sun rises	6:38 A. M.
Sun sets	6:10 P. M.
Day's length	11 hrs. 32 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	5:43	6:06	12:27	1:07
Southport	3:55	4:13	10:17	10:27
Masonboro Inlet	3:44	4:02	9:57	10:07

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

March 2, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Highest today:	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
		Temperature:		
Abilene	cldy	38	30	.10
Asheville	rain	42	38	.08
Atlanta	rain	44	42	.10
Augusta	rain	48	44	.04
Baltimore	sleet	38	..	.24
Birmingham	rain	70	46	.96
Boston	cldy	38	26	.0
Charleston	cldy	58	50	.64
Charlotte	rain	42	38	.08
Chicago	pt cldy	32	20	.0
Galveston	cldy	56	54	.20
Jaxville	clear	80	66	.0
Memphis	rain	36	34	1.60
Mobile	cldy	76	68	.0
Montgomery	cldy	80	58	.22
N. Orleans	cldy	80	70	.0
New York	snow	38	32	.04
Oklahoma	cldy	32	30	.08
Palestine	cldy	42	38	.24
Pittsburg	snow	34	28	.14
Raleigh	rain	42	36	.56
Savannah	fog	62	54	.10
Shreveport	cldy	40	38	.62
St. Louis	snow	36	30	.01
Washington	rain	38	34	.30

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Covering of Shorts in Near Months Gives Rise of Over $3 a Bale.

New Orleans, March 2.—Efforts of shorts in the near months to cover their contracts caused a rise of more than $3 a bale in the cotton market here today. Buyers found few contracts for sale and small buying sent the market to higher levels. Liverpool was a buyer.

The opening was at decline in sympathy with poor cables and around the first call prices were 5 to 9 points off. The break was short lived. From the lowest level there was a rise of 50 to 66 points, the market at its highest standing at a net rise of 43 to 57 points. The close was at a net rise of 33 to 52 points.

For the first time in weeks, local spot prices were advanced, quotations being raised 25 points to 16.75 for middling. This was in line with reports of a better demand for actual cotton at rising prices.

Closing bid: March 16.99; May 16.81; July 16.75; October 16.54; December 15.95.

Spot cotton, firm, 25 points up. Sales on the suot, 3,095; to arrive, 380; middling 16.75.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Corn Above $1.05 a Bushel—Wheat and Oats Also Make Gains.

Chicago, March 2.—Corn, soaring in value today to the topmost point ever attained here—$1.05⅛ a bushel, May delivery—gave strength to all other commodities on the exchange. European buying and fresh high record prices on hogs were reasons for the advance of corn, which closed 2⅞ to 3⅛ above yesterday's finish with May at 1.05½ to 1.05⅝ and July at 1.05¼. Other net gains were: Wheat, ⅛ to 2¼; oats ½ to ¾@⅞, and provisions 15 to 52½.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.84¾; July 1.56⅛.

Corn—May 1.05½; July 1.05¼.

Oats—May 58¼; July 55⅞.

Pork—May 32.47; July 31.75.

Lard—May 18.62; July 18.60.

Ribs—May 17.22; July 17.22.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red 1.92¾; No. 3 red, nominal; No. 2 hard, nominal; No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 3 yellow 1.02 to 1.04; No. 4 yellow 1.00 to 1.02.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, March 2.—Raw sugar steady; centrifugal 5.39; molasses 4.52; refined steady.

Butter and Cheese—Firm.

Coffee—Spot unchanged; Rio 7s, 9¾c; Santos 4s, 10¾c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, March 2.—Cotton goods ruled steady today, demand for coarse goods improved. Yarns were in better demand. Woolen markets were strong. Ready-to-wear trades were active.

Life of Bureau Extended

Washington, March, 2.—Life of the war risk insurance bureau was extended to September 2, 1918, and $15,000,000 was appropriated to pay its losses by a bill perfected today.

the war scare

how it is affecting security values, and what peace or war means to general business throughout the country. Present stock-market opportunity and how to profit by it. An interesting letter just issued covers the above subjects fully and is yours, free for the asking, if in your request you specify

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 8:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:20 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 3:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No.58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

T. C. WHITE, Passenger Traffic Manager. W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
‡6:30 A.M.	‡6:30 A.M.	x‡6:30 A.M.	z‡7:05 A.M.	‡7:15 A.M.	‡7:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
‡8:30 A.M.	‡8:30 A.M.	x‡8:30 A.M.	z‡9:05 A.M.	‡9:15 A.M.	‡9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	‡10:20 A.M.	‡10:31 A.M.
‡1:00 P.M.	‡1:00 P.M.	‡1:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
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2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	z*1:45 P.M.	*1:50 P.M.	*2:01 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o3:00 P.M.	o3:11 P.M.
o4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o3:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
o4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o4:30 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o5:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

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Leave Front and Princess streets every half hour from 2 to 5 P. M.
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No. 13—3:55 P. M., Charlotte and intermediate points. Pullman Parlor Car to Charlotte.

No. 15—5:00 A. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Sleeper to Charlotte; open 10:00 P. M.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

No. 14.—12:30 P. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Pullman Parlor Car.

No. 20.—12:10 A. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Sleeper may be occupied until 7:00 o'clock A. M.

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NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale May 11 to 16th, inclusive; limited returning midnight, limit extended to June 15th on payment $1.00.

WASHINGTON, D. C. $8.90
On sale June 2 to 7th, inclusive; limited returning midnight June 21st; limit extended to July 6th on payment 50c.

DALLAS, TEX $52.20
On sale May 12, 14, 15. Limited returning midnight, June 8th.

MACON, GA. $13.20
On sale March 17th to April 4th, inc. Limited returning midnight, April 10th.

NEW ORLEANS, LA. $28.75
On sale March 11, 12, 13; limited returning midnight March 21st.

WASHINGTON, D. C. $13.20
On sale March 1, 2, 3, 4, limited returning midnight March 10th; limit extended to April 10th on payment $1.00.

For further information, apply 'Phone 178.—

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6:15 A.M. Ar.	Goldsboro	Lv.	10:25 P.M.
6:45 A.M. Lv.	Goldsboro	Ar.	9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar.	Selma	Lv.	8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:25 P.M.

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LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE AT WARSAW ADJOURNED

Leaders in Wilmington Presbytery Heard in Addresses

Drs. Wells and McClure, Messrs. W. H. Sprunt and Newton Fisher and Rev. W. M. Baker, of Wilmington, Among the Speakers.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Warswa, N. C., March 2.—Following a strong sermon by Dr. J. M. Wells, the Laymen's Conference of the Wilmington Presbytery, which convened here last evening, adjourned tonight, until the next annual meeting.

The afternoon session of the conference was featured by a talk by Dr. Wells, who substituted for Rev. Robert King, his subject being "The Needs for Aggressive Evangelism in Our Presbytery." Talks were also made by Dr. J. W. Purcell, of Faison, on the subject, "Personal Work;" by Rev. W. P. M. Currie, "The Pastor, His Own Evangelist," and others.

A permanent organization to be known as "The Elders' and Deacons' Conference of the Wilmington Presbytery" was effected with the following officers: President, W. M. Baker, Wilmington; vice-president, Clarence Clark, Clarkton; secretary, J. D. Beatty, Faison; treasurer, W. L. Hill, Warsaw.

The conference was organized at the Presbyterian church Thursday evening under the direction of Rev. W. M. Baker of Wilmington. Mr. D. L. Latta, of Wilmington, was made chairman, and Mr. Chauncey Carr, of Kenansville, secretary.

A special feature was the very able sermon by Dr. A. D. McClure, of Wilmington, who handled the subject of "Stewardship" in his usual forceful and impressive manner.

A very enjoyable song service under the direction of Prof. J. D. Beatty, of Faison, began the morning session of the conference today, after which Rev. W. W. Morton spoke of "The Assembly's Plan of Finance."

In the absence of Rev. A. J. Howell, Dr. McClure spoke on the subject "Every Member Canvass vs The Old Way; Which Will Best Develop the Spirit of Christian Stewardship?"

Mr. W. H. Sprunt, of Wilmington, made a plain, earnest talk on "The Tithe, the Minimum of Giving." He advocated this plan, not only because of the pleasure and joy derived from it by the giver, but also as a successful business proposition.

Mr. Newton Fisher, of Wilmington, then told clearly and explicitly "How to Prepare and Conduct an Every Member Canvass," giving a few fundamental rules for guidance.

There followed a round table conference led by Dr. Wells, of Wilmington, after which the conference adjourned for dinner.

CITY GOVERNMENT BILL UNAMENDED PASSES THE HOUSE

(Continued from Page One.)

way disturbed so far as this House of Representatives is concerned.

Constitutional Amendments.

Bills to amend the constitution passed the Senate today in rapid succession, subject to ratification by the people. They were the Scales bill for initiative and referendum; the Governor Bickett measure to exempt from taxation notes and mortgages to the amount of $3,000 when given for purchase of farm homes, and the Oates bill to amend the constitution to assure six months schools for every county. One other, that to limit State officers to two successive terms of office and county officers to three terms, another Governor Bickett proposition, went to the table because passage was useless since the House had tabled a duplicate.

It was a slow and sluggish grind in the Senate today, due to the midnight struggle the Senate indulged in for the passage of the bone dry substitute for the Tucker prohibition bill passed soon after the midnight hour.

Senate Passes Important Bills.

A new bill by Allen would appoint highway commissioners for Wayne. It was put through immediate passage; Also one by Oates to provide conditional special deputies and expenses for Cumberland.

The McCoin-Bennett bill to facilitate road bond issues by counties and townships under certain conditions was laid before the Senate and passed after an explanation by Senator McCoin.

The Oates bill to amend the constitution so as to assure six months schools came up and was passed with very little opposition.

Next the House bill came up to exempt notes and mortgages given for the purchase of farm homes to the amount of $3,000 from taxation and it was passed with practically no opposition. Little, of Anson, and Brock voted against the bill, which is now ready for ratification.

Initiative and Referendum.

When the Scales bill for a Constitutional amendment to incorporate the principle of initiative and referendum came up, Senator Scales spoke for the bill, insisting that while the principle had become associated with demagogery in this State, the real principle has no such taint. He believed the people were most always right and he thought they should be allowed to make their own mistakes, to say the least. The vote was 35 to 12 and the measure was sent to the House.

Other Bills Passed.

Other bills passed included:

Provide for retirement bonds for counties; School bonds for Kinston; Financial machinery for municipalities; McNider bill to amend the fish law; Allow a woman on the Nash county board of education; City manager for Goldsboro; Protect Hyde county stock; Amend Pender primary law; Repeal Pitt highway commission act; Amend Greenville dog law; Sinking fund for school bonds in Greenville; Regulate Sunday sales in Forsythe; Relating to fishing in Albemarle Sound; Relative to Onslow county courts; Fix salaries of Pitt officers; Increase Bertie board of education; Appropriating $150,000 for new buildings for the State School for the Blind, to be erected on the new site near the city; Allow Pitt commissioners to appoint cotton weighers; Amend Harnett officers' salary law; Expedite trials in civil cases in Columbus; Define duties of New Hanover county solicitor; Place New Hanover officers on salaries.

The Senate recessed to 8 o'clock.

Shrinkage of Grist.

In the House there was a marked falling off in the volume of bills reported from committees, indicating the steady shrinkage of the legislative grist as the end of the session approaches.

The prohibition measure for the analysis of soft drinks came from committee with unfavorable report and the general impression is that the House is not inclined to do much further prohibition legislation.

New Bills in House.

New bills included:

Taylor, of Edgecombe—Provide maintenance of the State Museum.

Breece—Restrict adjustment by mayors in certain cases.

Bowman—Provide North Carolina farmers phosphate rock at a reasonable price.

Breece—Amend the act relative to the Cumberland referendum.

Ruled Out of Order.

Coggins—Joint resolution for an investigation by a special legislative commission as to gambling by members of the assembly.

Speaker Murphy ruled that this resolution was out of order as the House is not a grand jury.

Mr. Coggins argued that he was within his rights and the scope of the law governing the Legislature in such matters and that investigating commissions can be constituted courts in certain cases.

Speaker Murphy held that if Mr. Coggins had reason to go into possible criminal conduct of any members of the assembly he had his remedy in articles of impeachment, especially if any have violated their oaths of office. He suggested that Mr. Coggins appeal from the chair, but this was not done and the matter was dropped.

Passed Final Reading.

Bills passed final reading:

Amend the drainage law as to establishing districts; Bonds for schools in Raeford; Provide for agricultural districts; Graded school bonds for Kinston; Audit Gates school funds; Teaching agriculture and home economics in rural schools; Define stock in Robeson county; Prohibit trespass on automobiles.

The House refused to reconsider the newspaper advertising bill that was tabled last night after numerous amendments were offered. The vote was by roll call 48 to 51, the demand for the roll call being by Representative Brummitt.

Bills passed in the following order:

Prohibit sale of public bonds without notice; Prevent accidents at railroad crossings; Include Mecklenburg in the State-wide primary act.

Blockading a Felony.

The House passed the Page bill to make the crime of illicit distilling a felony instead of a misdemeanor.

Mr. Page insisted that blockading is necessarily a deliberate and premeditated crime in the class with burglary, and he wanted it so classified on the statute books.

Representative Williams, of Transylvania, was the only member to vote "No."

The House had a long argument on the Grier bill to regulate the hours of work for women and girls and minors. Numbers of amendments were offered, but the bill was in the end lost by a vote of 44 to 61. It was designed to limit work in stores and other places from 6 A. M. to 6 P. M., Saturdays and six days before Christmas excepted.

PENDER COUNTY FREE RANGE BILLS KILLED AND BURIED

Raleigh, N. C., March. 2.—The Pender county free range bills were finally killed in the Senate tonight and the "clincher" applied so that they cannot be resurrected at this session of the Legislature.

CONGRESS CLEARS WAY FOR ENACTMEN TOF NAVAL BILL

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vides for the building of three battleships, one battle cruiser, three scout cruisers, fifteen destroyers, one destroyer tender, one submarine tender, 58 coast submarines ten fleet submarines, and three coast guard cutters.

In case of National emergency the President is authorized to suspend the eight-hour law on contract government work.

To meet the shortage of naval officers provision is made for graduation of two classes at the Naval Academy each year for five years and to shorten the course from two to three years for that period. The cadet corps would be largely increased.

LES DARCY CLASSED WITH THE SLACKERS

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will support the governor in his insistence that this thing shall not be permitted in New York."

Chairman Fred A. Wenck, of the athletic commission, later said that Darcy would not be permitted to participate in any boxing contest in this state.

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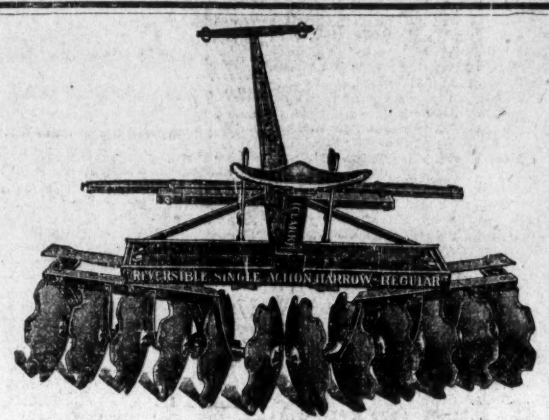

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